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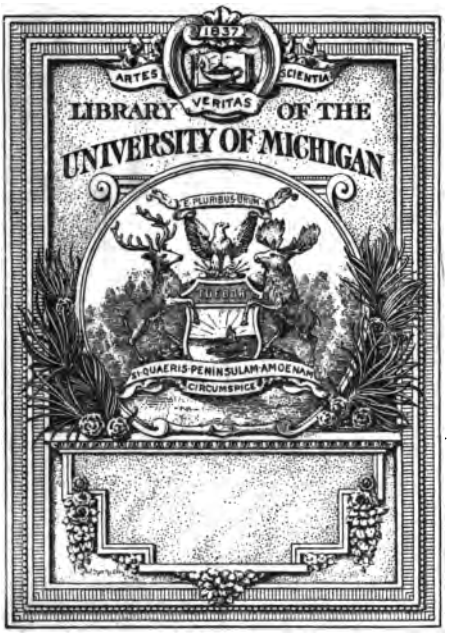
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To His Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council.

We, the undersigned, members of the State Board of Insanity, herewith present our first annual report, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1899.

GEORGE F. JELLY.
HERBERT B. HOWARD.
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Members of the State Board of Insanity.

Date of Original Appointment.	Name.	Residence.	Qualified.	Retired.		Term expires.
				Date.	Reason.	
Sept. 15, 1898,	George F. Jelly, M.D.,	Boston,	Sept. 16, 1898,	-	-	Sept. 15, 1903.
Sept. 15, 1898,	Herbert B. Howard, M.D.,	Boston,	Sept. 17, 1898,	-	-	Sept. 15, 1902.
Sept. 15, 1898,	Charles R. Codman,	Barnstable,	Sept. 21, 1898,	-	-	Sept. 15, 1901.
Sept. 15, 1898,	Edward S. Bradford,	Springfield,	Sept 28, 1898,	-	-	Sept. 15, 1900.
Sept. 15, 1898,	Francis B. Gardner,	Brockton,	Sept. 15, 1899,	-	-	Sept. 15, 1904.

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HERBERT B. HOWARD, M.D.,	BOSTON.
CHARLES R. CODMAN,	BARNSTABLE.
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FRANCIS B. GARDNER, *Secretary*,	BROCKTON.

Regular meeting, second Wednesday of each month, at 10.30 A.M., at Room 34, State House, Boston.

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Office, Room 36, State House, Boston.

DIRECTORY OF INSTITUTIONS.

STATE HOSPITALS.

WORCESTER INSANE HOSPITAL (opened 1833): —

Trustees: Thomas H. Gage, M.D., Worcester, chairman; Samuel B. Woodward, M.D., Worcester, secretary; Rockwood Hoar, Worcester; George W. Wells, Southbridge; Sarah E. Whitin, Whitinsville; Frances M. Lincoln, Worcester.

Regular meeting, first Tuesday of each month.

Superintendent, Hosea M. Quinby, M.D.

TAUNTON INSANE HOSPITAL (opened 1854): —

Trustees: Henry R. Stedman, M.D., Brookline, chairman; Susan E. Learoyd, Wakefield, secretary; Ruth S. Murray, New Bedford; Oliver Ames, North Easton; William C. Lovering, Taunton; Milton Reed, Fall River; Gerard C. Tobey, Wareham.

Regular meeting, first Thursday of each month.

Superintendent, John P. Brown, M.D.

NORTHAMPTON INSANE HOSPITAL (opened 1858): —

Trustees: William D. MacInnes, Pittsfield, chairman; Sarah M. Butler, Northampton, secretary; Sarah A. Woodworth, Chicopee; L. D. James, Williamsburg; Elisha Morgan, Springfield; Alvan Barrus, Goshen; F. W. Chapin, M.D., Springfield.

Regular meeting, first Thursday of each month.

Superintendent, John A. Houston, M.D.

DANVERS INSANE HOSPITAL (opened 1878): —

(Post-office and railroad station, Hathorne.)

Trustees: Samuel W. Hopkinson, Bradford, chairman; Solon Bancroft, Reading, secretary; Orville F. Rogers, M.D., Boston; Florence Lyman, Boston; William B. Sullivan, Danvers; Mary Ward Nichols, Danvers.

Regular meeting, first Friday after first Monday of each month.

Superintendent, Arthur H. Harrington, M.D.

WESTBOROUGH INSANE HOSPITAL (opened 1886): —

Trustees: Alden Speare, Newton, chairman; Eliza C. Durfee, Fall River, secretary; Emily Talbot, Boston; George B. Richmond, New Bedford; Benjamin W. Childs, Worcester; John M. Merriam, South Framingham; Edward H. Haskell, Newton.

Regular meeting, first or second Thursday of each month.

Superintendent, George S. Adams, M D.

WORCESTER INSANE ASYLUM (opened 1877): —
Trustees: Trustees of Worcester Insane Hospital.
Superintendent, Ernest V. Scribner, M.D.

MEDFIELD INSANE ASYLUM (opened 1896): —
(Post-office, Harding; railroad station, Medfield Junction.)
Trustees: John G. Park, M.D., Groton, chairman; Elizabeth Thurber, Plymouth, secretary; Ira G. Hersey, Boston; William O. Blaney, Boston; Edward V. Mitchell, Medfield; Benjamin S. Atwood, Whitman; Florena G. Wellington, Roxbury.
Regular meeting, second Friday of each month.
Superintendent, Edward French, M.D.

STATE ASYLUM FOR INSANE CRIMINALS, STATE FARM (opened 1887): —
(Post-office, State Farm; railroad station, Titicut.)
Trustees: J. White Belcher, Randolph, chairman; Payson W. Lyman, Fall River, secretary; Jacob H. Hecht, Boston; Sarah D. Fiske, Malden; Anna F. Prescott, Boston; Cecil F. P. Bancroft, Andover; Leonard Huntress, M.D., Lowell.
Regular meeting, usually during last week of month, alternately at State Farm and State Almshouse.
Medical director, Charles A. Drew, M.D.

ASYLUM WARDS, STATE ALMSHOUSE (opened 1866): —
(Post-office, Tewksbury; railroad station, Salem Junction.)
Trustees: Trustees of State Farm.
Superintendent, John H. Nichols, M.D.

MASSACHUSETTS HOSPITAL FOR DIPSOMANIACS AND INEBRIATES, FOXBOROUGH (opened 1893): —
Trustees: Edward Cowles, M.D., Waverley, chairman; Warren F. Spalding, Boston, secretary; Benjamin H. Hartwell, M.D., Ayer; Anna Phillips Williams, Boston; Joseph G. Pinkham, M.D., Lynn; S. Homer Woodbridge, Newton.
Regular meeting, first Wednesday of each month.
Superintendent, Chas. E. Woodbury, M.D.

MASSACHUSETTS HOSPITAL FOR EPILEPTICS (opened 1898): —
(Post-office and railroad station, Palmer.)
Trustees: William N. Bullard, M.D., Boston, chairman; Charles A. Clough, Boston, secretary; Burnham R. Benner, M.D., Lowell; Adelaide A. Calkins, Springfield; Henry M. Phillips, Springfield; Mabel W. Stedman, Brookline.
Regular meeting, first Thursday of each month.
Superintendent, Everett Flood, M.D.

MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL FOR THE FEEBLE-MINDED (opened 1851): —
(Post-office and railroad station, Waverley.)
Trustees: George G. Tarbell, M.D., Boston, president; William W. Swan, Brookline, secretary; Samuel Hoar, Concord; Richard C.

Humphreys, Boston; Francis Bartlett, Boston; Francis J. Barnes, Cambridge; Eliot C. Clarke, Boston; Elizabeth E. Coolidge, Cambridge; J. S. Damrell, Boston; Erskine Warden, Waltham; Charles E. Ware, Fitchburg; F. G. Wheatley, M.D., Abington; Charles F. Wyman, Cambridge.

Quarterly meeting, second Thursday of October, January, April and July.

Superintendent, Walter E. Fernald, M.D.

HOSPITAL COTTAGES FOR CHILDREN, BALDWINVILLE (opened 1882): —

President, Merrick Bemis, M.D., Worcester; clerk, Francis Leland, Otter River.

Trustees appointed by the corporation: Gilman Waite, Baldwinville; H. M. Small, Baldwinville; Francis Leland, Otter River; Mrs. O. F. Rawson, Worcester; Mrs. Francis H. Dewey, Worcester; F. W. Russell, M.D., Winchendon; Mrs. Kelsey M. Gilmore, Lexington; Mrs. H. C. Greeley, Clinton; William Skinner, Holyoke; John D. Carson, Dalton; Mrs. Sarah E. Whitin, Whitinsville; George E. Bryant, Baldwinville; J. S. Lemon, Gardner; Mrs. Edward L. Greene, Clinton; Homer Gage, M.D., Worcester; Robert N. Wallace, Fitchburg.

Trustees appointed by the Governor: Merrick Bemis, M.D., Worcester; Mrs. William W. Doherty, Boston; D. H. Coolidge, Boston; A. H. Lowe, Fitchburg; Chas. H. Allen, Boston.

Quarterly meeting, second Wednesday of October, January, April and July.

Superintendent, Hartstein W. Page, M.D.

BOSTON INSANE HOSPITAL (opened 1839): —

(Austin Farm: post-office, New Dorchester; railroad station, Forest Hills. Pierce Farm: post-office, Mattapan; railroad station, Forest Hills.)

Trustees: Henry C. Baldwin, M.D., Boston, chairman; Philip Coombs Knapp, M.D., Boston, secretary; Emily P. Howard, M.D., Boston; C. James Connelly, Boston; George A. Sanderson, Boston; Catherine L. Marion, Boston; George A. Goddard, Boston.

Regular meeting, at 32 Tremont Street, second Thursday of each month.

Superintendent, Edward B. Lane, M.D.

MCLEAN HOSPITAL, WAVERLEY (opened 1818): —

(Branch of Massachusetts General Hospital.)

President, Charles H. Dalton, Boston; secretary, Thomas B. Hall, Boston.

Trustees appointed by the corporation: Francis Blake, Auburndale; Edmund Dwight, Boston; Reginald Gray, Boston; Nathaniel Thayer, Boston; Henry P. Walcott, M.D., Boston; Samuel D. Warren, Boston; George Wigglesworth, Boston (one vacancy).

Trustees appointed by the Governor: Charles V. Bemis, M.D., Medford; William S. Bigelow, M.D., Boston; Henry S. Howe, Boston; David P. Kimball, Boston.

Regular meeting, usually at Merchants' National Bank, of Boston, on Friday, at intervals of two weeks, beginning sixteen days after first Wednesday in February.

Superintendent, Edward Cowles, M.D.

PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS.

"BOURNEWOOD," Henry R. Stedman, M.D., South Street, Brookline. Railroad station, Forest Hills (New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad).

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"CUTTER RETREAT," William F. Heald, M.D., Pepperell.

"LOCUST GROVE ASYLUM," Alice R. Cooke. Medical director, George E. White, M.D., Sandwich.

"DR. RING'S SANATORIUM," Allan Mott Ring, M.D., Arlington Heights.

"FRAMINGHAM NERVINE," Ellen L. Keith, M.D., Winter Street, Framingham.

"LAURELWOOD," Eugene W. Hill, M.D., Newton.

PRIVATE INSTITUTION FOR FEEBLE-MINDED YOUTH, George A. Brown, M.D., Catherine W. Brown, superintendents, Barre (Massachusetts Central Railroad).

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

REPORT.

Formation of the Board.

The State Board of Insanity was created by an act of the Legislature of 1898, chapter 433, as follows: —

An Act to establish a State Board of Insanity.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint five persons, who shall constitute the state board of insanity. The persons so appointed shall hold their offices for five years: *provided*, that the term of office of the five first appointed shall be so arranged that the term of one shall expire each year. All vacancies in said board, whether occurring by expiration of term or otherwise, shall be filled by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council. Two at least of the persons so appointed shall be experts in insanity. The members of the board shall receive no salaries, except as hereinafter provided, but shall be paid only their necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of their duties. The members of the board may be removed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, for cause.

Section 2. The board shall appoint an executive officer, who shall be a physician and an expert in insanity, and who may be a member of the board. He shall hold the position of executive officer during the pleasure of the board and shall perform such duties as the board may require. He shall receive from the treasury of the Commonwealth such compensation as the governor and council may determine, and his necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duties.

Section 3. The board shall have the power to appoint such agents and subordinate officers as it may deem requisite, and to fix their compensation, but the amount paid for the salaries of

officers and agents employed by the board shall not exceed the sum appropriated by the legislature for that purpose. No civil service examination shall be required in the case of persons so appointed who are now in the employ of the state upon similar work. The board, unless otherwise provided, may assign any of its powers and duties to agents appointed for the purpose, and may execute any of its functions by such agents or by committees appointed from and by said board. The board shall be provided with rooms at the expense of the state, and shall hold meetings each month, on a day fixed by itself, and at such other times as may be needful. It shall make its own by-laws, and shall make a report of its doings to the governor and council on or before the first day of December of each year, such report being made up to the thirtieth day of September, inclusive.

SECTION 4. The board shall embody in its report a properly classified and tabulated statement of the receipts and expenses of the said board, and of each of the several state institutions under its supervision for the said year, and a corresponding classified and tabulated statement of their estimates for the year ensuing, with its opinion as to the necessity or expediency of appropriations in accordance with said estimates; but this provision shall not apply to estimates for the ordinary expenses of said institutions. Said report shall also present a concise review of the work of the several institutions under the supervision of the board, for the year preceding, with such suggestions and recommendations as to the said institutions and as to the general interests of all persons under its supervision throughout the Commonwealth as may be deemed expedient.

SECTION 5. The board shall present in its report information embodying the experience of this country and other countries, regarding the best and most successful methods of caring for such persons as come under its supervision; and it shall also encourage scientific investigation by the medical staffs of the various institutions under its supervision, and shall publish from time to time bulletins and reports of the scientific and clinical work done therein.

SECTION 6. The board shall prescribe to the superintendents of the several institutions under its supervision the forms of statistical returns to be made by them in their annual reports. It shall also prescribe the form of certificate required of mayors of cities or overseers of the poor of towns when a pauper is sent therefrom to any one of the state institutions under its supervision, which certificate shall contain such inquiry in relation to the age, parentage, birthplace and former residence of, and other

facts relating to, the said poor person, as the board may deem necessary, to which the mayors and overseers of the poor shall render true answers, as far as they are able, before the said poor person is received into any one of the said institutions. The several cities and towns shall be furnished by the board with blank forms for said certificates.

SECTION 7. The trustees of the several state institutions under the supervision of the board shall annually on the thirtieth day of September cause to be made and sent to the board an accurate inventory of the stock and supplies on hand and the amount and value thereof at said institutions, under the following heads: — Live stock on the farm, produce of the farm on hand, carriages and agricultural implements, machinery and mechanical fixtures, beds and bedding in the inmates' department, other furniture in the inmates' department, personal property of the state in the superintendent's department, ready-made clothing, dry goods, provisions and groceries, drugs and medicines, fuel and library.

SECTION 8. The board shall keep records of commitments of all patients and attend to the enforcement of the laws relative thereto. All institutions under its supervision shall furnish all the information required by the board relating to commitments.

SECTION 9. The board shall have general supervision over the state hospitals and asylums for the insane, and all other institutions and receptacles for insane or feeble-minded patients, either public or private, the Massachusetts hospital for epileptics, the Massachusetts hospital for dipsomaniacs and inebriates, the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded, and the Hospital Cottages for Children. The said board may, when directed by the governor, assume and exercise the powers of the boards of trustees of the state institutions under its supervision in any matter relating to the management thereof.

SECTION 10. The board shall inspect all plans for new buildings which are to be used by the Commonwealth as institutions coming under the supervision of the board, and for the extension or alteration, involving an expenditure of more than two thousand dollars, of existing buildings which are to be or are already so used. No such new buildings shall be erected and no such extension or alteration shall be hereafter made unless the plan and specifications for the same have been first approved by the board.

SECTION 11. The board may transfer insane pauper inmates, including those committed under the provisions of section fifty of chapter eighty-seven of the Public Statutes, section fifteen of chapter two hundred and thirteen of the Public Statutes, sections

sixteen and nineteen of chapter two hundred and fourteen of the Public Statutes, and sections ten, twelve and fourteen of chapter two hundred and twenty-two of the Public Statutes, from any one of the State hospitals or asylums for the insane to another state hospital or asylum for the insane, and may transfer and commit inmates of the other state institutions to the state hospitals or asylums for the insane; and it may send any such insane pauper inmates to any state or place where they belong when the public interest or the necessities of the inmates require such transfer. The names of the inmates so removed shall be entered upon the register of the hospital or asylum for the insane, together with the usual details of their history, and shall be recorded by the several superintendents as discharged by the board for the purpose of removal from the state; but no transfer or commitment shall be made by the board of inmates of other state institutions to the state hospitals and asylums for the insane, except in accordance with the provisions of law regulating the commitment of insane persons.

SECTION 12. The board, upon the application of the director, manager or trustee of a private hospital or asylum, may transfer any inmate of such institution to another private institution, or to a state hospital or asylum for the insane, or any inmate of a state hospital or asylum for the insane to any private institution under its supervision, but no such transfer shall be made without the consent of the legal or natural guardian of such inmate.

SECTION 13. The board shall act as commissioners of insanity, with power to investigate the question of the insanity and condition of any person committed to any hospital or asylum for the insane, public or private, or restrained of his liberty by reason of alleged insanity at any place within the Commonwealth, and shall discharge any person so committed or restrained if in its opinion such person is not insane or can be cared for after such discharge without danger to others and with benefit to himself. All questions as to the sanity of inmates of the penal, reformatory and other institutions of the Commonwealth who present indications of insanity shall be referred to the board for determination.

SECTION 14. The board shall visit every institution under its supervision at least twice a year. It shall ascertain by actual examination and inquiry whether the laws with respect to the persons in the custody and control thereof are properly observed, shall give such directions as will insure correctness in the returns required in relation to them, and may use such means as may be necessary to collect all desired information in regard to their treatment. The board shall have the same powers relating to the

state poor who are inmates of the institutions under its supervision within the Commonwealth and to their property as are vested in towns and overseers of the poor in reference to paupers supported and relieved by towns. When it has reason to believe that any insane or other person is deprived of suitable treatment it may make application for the commitment of such person to some institution under its supervision, according to the provisions of law. The board shall carefully inspect every part of the institution visited, shall offer an opportunity to every patient for an interview with the board or with the visiting members, shall inspect every certificate of commitment entered or filed since its or their last visitation, and shall enter in a book provided for that purpose minutes of the condition of the institution at that time, of the patients therein, of the patients under restraint and their number, and any criticisms or observations that the board or visiting members may have to make as to the occupation, amusement or classification of the patients, as to the cleanliness and sanitary condition of the institution, as to the diet of the patients, and as to any other matters that it or they may deem worthy of observation or criticism.

SECTION 15. All patients in any institution under its supervision shall be allowed, subject to the regulations of the board, to write freely to the board, and letters so written shall be forwarded, unopened, by the superintendent or person in charge of said institution, to the said board for such disposition as it shall deem right, and the said board may send any letters or other communications to any patients in any of said institutions whenever it may deem proper so to do.

SECTION 16. The nurses of the institutions under the supervision of the board shall be employed, as far as practicable, instead of officers of the law, in taking and transferring patients to and from said institutions; and in the case of the transfer of a female patient a female attendant or nurse shall accompany her.

SECTION 17. The superintendent or physician in charge of any institution under the supervision of the board shall immediately notify the said board if there is any question as to the propriety of the commitment of any person received therein, and said board upon such notification shall inquire into the condition of such patient and into the question of the propriety of the commitment.

SECTION 18. The board shall prescribe a uniform system of keeping accounts in the several state institutions under its supervision, and the same shall be adopted and used in said institutions.

SECTION 19. The board shall prescribe the forms of certificates required by law in the commitments of all persons to the institu-

tions under its supervision, and such forms when prescribed shall be the sole forms used in such commitments.

SECTION 20. The board and the several boards of trustees of the different state institutions under its supervision, or their representatives, shall meet semi-annually for the purpose of consultation and harmonious action.

SECTION 21. The board is hereby authorized to discharge patients from the Massachusetts hospital for dipsomaniacs and inebriates, the Massachusetts hospital for epileptics, the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded, and the Hospital Cottages for Children, and to transfer inmates of said institutions to other state institutions, and the inmates of other state institutions under its supervision to the said hospitals and school; but no inmate of said other state institution under its supervision shall be transferred to said hospitals or school unless such inmate has been duly committed thereto, in conformity with the provisions of law governing the commitment of patients to said hospitals and school.

SECTION 22. The board shall devise, if practicable, a system by which the board of trustees of the Massachusetts hospital for dipsomaniacs and inebriates shall be informed specifically of the history of any person whom it is proposed to commit to said hospital, and by which, if possible, an investigation of the record of such patient shall be made by a probation officer, with a view to informing the court or magistrate prior to his deciding the question of commitment.

SECTION 23. The word "lunatic," wherever it occurs in the names of the several hospitals and in the laws relating to the insane, is hereby stricken out, and the term "insane," or "insane person," is substituted therefor.

SECTION 24. All the powers possessed by and all the duties incumbent upon the state board of lunacy and charity relative to the state hospitals and asylums for the insane and to other institutions, asylums and receptacles for the insane or feeble-minded, public or private, relative to insane persons generally, and as commissioners in lunacy relative to the Massachusetts hospital for epileptics, the Massachusetts hospital for dipsomaniacs and inebriates, the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded, and the Hospital Cottages for Children, are hereby taken from the said state board of lunacy and charity and vested in the state board of insanity, and said state board of insanity is hereby authorized and empowered to assume and exercise the same. The said state board of insanity shall also succeed to all the rights, powers and duties of the said state board of lunacy and charity in respect to all the insane poor placed in families by the latter board, and said

insane poor so boarded out are hereby transferred to the care, custody and control of the said board of insanity without further process of law. The state board of lunacy and charity shall hereafter be called the state board of charity, and shall have and exercise all the powers now possessed by it, and all the duties now incumbent upon it, except when otherwise by law provided, including all questions relating to the settlement or non-settlement of the state poor coming under the control of the state institutions under its supervision, and under the supervision of the state board of insanity, and shall administer the laws of settlement relating to the support of the state's sane poor by cities and towns, and shall prosecute all cases of bastardy of non-settled persons.

SECTION 25. The state board of insanity shall report to the legislature, on or before the first Wednesday in January in the year nineteen hundred, such method or methods as in its opinion will most effectually provide for the care and support of the insane poor who, under existing laws, are cared for by or supported at the expense of the cities and towns of the Commonwealth. In such report the board shall include a statement of what building or buildings are needed to accommodate such insane persons, and any other suggestions which they may wish to submit for the consideration of the legislature in relation thereto. Said report shall embody a plan for the remedial treatment of recoverable cases of insanity in a hospital set apart for such treatment, and to which no other cases of insanity shall be committed. It shall also report a plan by which convalescing insane patients, during the period of recovery, shall have ample opportunity of association with sane people and be freed from association with insane people as far as practicable.

SECTION 26. Section nine of chapter two hundred and ninety-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six is hereby amended by striking out in the third line, the words "board of education," and inserting in place thereof the words: — state board of insanity.

SECTION 27. Section three of chapter three hundred and eighty-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, as amended by section four of chapter one hundred and one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six, is hereby amended by striking out the words "board of lunacy and charity," wherever they occur therein, and inserting in place thereof the words: — state board of insanity.

SECTION 28. The acts and sections of acts hereinafter specified in this section are hereby amended by striking out the words "lunacy and charity," wherever they occur therein, and inserting

in place thereof the word: — insanity, — Section one of chapter eighty-seven of the Public Statutes, as amended by section four of chapter one hundred and one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six. Section twelve of chapter eighty-seven of the Public Statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred and ninety-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-four. Section ten of chapter two hundred and twenty-two of the Public Statutes, as amended by section four of chapter one hundred and one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six. Section eleven of chapter two hundred and twenty-two of the Public Statutes, as amended by section four of chapter one hundred and one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six. Sections seven and nine of chapter three hundred and twenty-two of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four, as amended by section four of chapter one hundred and one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six. Section one of chapter three hundred and eighty-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-five, as amended by section four of chapter one hundred and one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six. Sections two and ten of chapter two hundred and ninety-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six. Sections one and two of chapter three hundred and nineteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six, and section three of said chapter as amended by section two of chapter four hundred and fourteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety. Section two of chapter three hundred and forty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, as amended by chapter four hundred and eighty-two of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six. Section sixteen of chapter four hundred and fourteen of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, as amended by section two of chapter one hundred and fifty-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-one. Section four of chapter four hundred and twenty-five of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-two. Section two of chapter two hundred and eighty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five. Sections five and six of chapter three hundred and ninety of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five. Sections ten and eleven of chapter four hundred and eighty-three of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

SECTION 29. All the provisions of this act except as hereinafter provided in this section shall take effect upon the first day of October in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, but the

members of the state board of insanity may be appointed at any time after the passage of this act, and said board may appoint agents and officers and assign their duties before the first day of October. [*Approved May 13, 1898.*

His Excellency Governor Roger Wolcott appointed, as members of this Board, George F. Jelly, M.D., and Herbert B. Howard, M.D., of Boston, Chas. R. Codman of Barnstable, Edward S. Bradford of Springfield and Francis B. Gardner of Brockton, for terms respectively of five, four, three, two and one years.

They organized with George F. Jelly, M.D., chairman, and Francis B. Gardner, secretary, and assumed their official duties on Oct. 1, 1898, the beginning of the hospital year.

Work of the Year.

Necessarily, a new Board, taking up a new work, would consume much time in considering the general scope and requirements of its duties, in selecting its officers and agents, in becoming acquainted with the different institutions under its supervision and in maturing a general plan of action. Furthermore, numerous matters demanding careful attention to details have presented themselves during the year.

The Board has held 42 regular meetings, in addition to many special ones for the investigation of particular subjects. There have been made by the Board or its individual members, by its executive officer, his deputy or other agents, 533 visits to public and private institutions, 592 to the insane cared for in private families and 304 to city and town almshouses.

The general work of the Board relates to the supervision of the 29 State, municipal and private institutions for the insane, feeble-minded, epileptic, dipsomaniac and inebriate; of the insane in care of private families; of the insane and feeble-minded in city and town almshouses and in private families in care of overseers of the poor; and the transportation of such insane poor as require to be transferred from one institution to another or to other places within the State, or to be removed to other States or

countries where they belong. Details of the operations of the year in each of these departments are described later in this report.

Uniform certificates have been prescribed for the commitment of the insane and of the dipsomaniac or inebriate, and are now in general use by the courts. These are printed and distributed at the expense of the Board.

Plans and specifications for new buildings and for alterations in old ones at the different State institutions have been carefully examined and passed upon. Copies of such of these as are approved are required to be filed with the Board.

The Board considers the duty imposed by sections 4 and 10 of chapter 433 of the Acts of 1898 to include not only their approval of the general plan and character of the work proposed, but also the reasonable assurance that it can be completed within the estimate or the appropriation available therefor; hence actual bids for doing the work, by reliable contractors, should be submitted when its final approval is sought.

Two conferences with the trustees of the State institutions have been held upon matters of mutual interest, such as the desirability of some distinctive dress for hospital nurses, the need of a uniform system of accounts for the different institutions, and the general consideration of estimates for special appropriations.

The Board desires to encourage a spirit of mutual confidence and co-operation between itself and the trustees and officers of the institutions under its supervision. The value of its services as a Board will be measured by the degree of its helpfulness in furthering the interests of the insane, and in stimulating each institution to its best efforts in their behalf. It has seemed wise to advise with the trustees upon any matter requiring suggestion or criticism.

General Policy and Recommendations.

The general policy and recommendations of the Board regarding the institutions and the general interests of the insane are outlined in its special report to the Legislature, as follows: —

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, Jan. 3, 1900.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives.

The undersigned, members of the State Board of Insanity, herewith present their report, in accordance with chapter 433, section 25, Acts of 1898: —

The state board of insanity shall report to the legislature, on or before the first Wednesday in January in the year nineteen hundred, such method or methods as in its opinion will most effectually provide for the care and support of the insane poor who, under existing laws, are cared for by or supported at the expense of the cities and towns of the Commonwealth. In such report the board shall include a statement of what building or buildings are needed to accommodate such insane persons, and any other suggestions which they may wish to submit for the consideration of the legislature in relation thereto. Said report shall embody a plan for the remedial treatment of recoverable cases of insanity in a hospital set apart for such treatment and to which no other cases of insanity shall be committed. It shall also report a plan by which convalescing insane patients, during the period of recovery, shall have ample opportunity of association with sane people and be freed from association with insane people as far as practicable.

This involves the consideration of a part of a subject so broad and many-sided that a preliminary and cursory glance at the whole seems imperative.

There are under supervision of this Board four general classes of persons, — the insane, feeble-minded, epileptic, and inebriate or dipsomaniac. So far as these come under official notice, they are located in the State insane hospitals and asylums, Boston Insane Hospital, corporate and private institutions for the insane, School for the Feeble-minded, Hospital for Epileptics, Hospital Cottages for Children, Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates, city and town almshouses, and in private families in care of the State Board of Insanity or of overseers of the poor. Their number and support * on Oct. 1, 1899, are shown in the following table: —

* Figures in regard to city and town almshouses and private families are taken from reports by overseers of poor to the State Board of Charity for the year ending March 31, 1899.

TABLE NO. 1. — *The Number and Support of the Insane, Feeble-minded, Epileptic and Inebriate or Dipsomaniac under the Supervision of the State Board of Insanity on Oct. 1, 1899.*

	Insane.				Feeble-minded.*				Sane Epileptic.				Inebriate or Dipsomaniac.				Total.			
	State.	Town.	Private.†	Total.	State.	Town.	Private.†	Total.	State.	Town.	Private.†	Total.	State.	Town.	Private.†	Total.	State.	Town.	Private.†	Aggregate.
A. — State Institutions: —																				
Worcester Insane Hospital,	221	575	169	965	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	3	223	576	169	968
Worcester Insane Asylum,	135	326	-	461	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	135	326	-	461
Taunton Insane Hospital,	185	595	73	853	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	-	7	187	600	73	860
Northampton Insane Hospital,	82	420	88	590	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	82	420	88	590
Danvers Insane Hospital,	186	694	97	977	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	187	694	97	978
Westborough Insane Hospital,	164	371	114	649	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	-	5	168	372	114	654
Medfield Insane Asylum,	233	855	-	1,088	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	233	855	-	1,088
Hospital for Epileptics,	31	107	-	138	-	-	-	-	29	39	10	78	-	-	-	-	60	146	10	216
Asylum wards, State Almshouse,	327	168	-	495	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	327	168	-	495
Asylum for Insane Criminals,	205	126	-	331	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	205	126	-	331
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	76	91	7	174	76	91	7	174
Total,	1,769	4,237	541	6,547	-	-	-	-	29	39	10	78	85	98	7	190	1,883	4,374	558	6,815

B. — Institutions which have been aided by the State: —																				
School for Feeble-minded,	-	-	-	-	102	434	86	622	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	102	434	86	622
Hospital Cottages for Children,	-	-	-	-	8	7	8	23	14	27	48	89	-	-	-	-	22	34	56	112
Total,	-	-	-	-	110	441	94	645	14	27	48	89	-	-	-	-	124	468	142	734
C. — At board in private families in care of this Board,	26	57	13	96	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26	57	13	96
D. — McLean Hospital (private),	-	-	171	171	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	171	171
Other private institutions,	-	-	66	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66	66
Total,	-	-	237	237	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	237	237
E. — Boston Insane Hospital (municipal),	-	418	89	507	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	418	89	507
In city and town almshouses,‡	-	837	-	837	-	376	-	376	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,213	-	1,213
In private families in care of overseers of poor,	-	58	-	58	-	70	-	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	128	-	128
Total,	-	1,313	89	1,402	-	446	-	446	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,759	89	1,848
Grand total,	1,795	5,607	880	8,282	110	887	94	1,091	43	66	58	167	85	98	7	190	2,033	6,658	1,039	9,730

* Includes all degrees of congenital deficiency. † "Private" does not include those supported wholly or in part by their friends through the overseers of the poor.
‡ Remaining March 31, 1899.

There have been already established separate institutions, specially planned and arranged for the care and treatment of the feeble-minded, the epileptic, the inebriate or dipsomaniac, and the insane criminal. Extension of such provision, along lines already drawn or easy to project in harmony with the general principles of their foundation, will meet all their future needs; hence, for the purposes of this report, they may be dismissed from further consideration.

The insane poor are supported by the State or by cities and towns. They are cared for in State institutions or in the Boston Insane Hospital, city and town almshouses and private families.

The following table shows the support, location and numbers of the insane in State institutions, Boston Insane Hospital, city and town almshouses, and private families in care of overseers of the poor: —

TABLE NO. 2. — *The Support, Location and Numbers on Oct. 1, 1899, of the Insane in State Institutions, Boston Insane Hospital, City and Town Almshouses, and Private Families in Care of Overseers of Poor.*

LOCATION.	State Institutions.			Other than State Institutions.		
	Support.			Support.		
	State.	Town.	Private	State	Town	Private.
State institutions, ...	1,769	4,237	541	-	-	-
Boston Insane Hospital, ...	-	-	-	-	418	89
City and town almshouses, . . .	-	-	-	-	837	-
Private families, in care of overseers of poor.	-	-	-	-	58	-
Total, ...	1,769	4,237	541	-	1,313	89

Although the scope of this inquiry is limited technically to the "insane poor, who, under existing laws, are cared for by or supported at the expense of the cities and towns of the Commonwealth," yet it is evident that an adequate system should not ultimately ignore any class of dependents coming under the supervision of this Board, and should comprehend in outline such methods and principles as will satisfactorily provide for the needs and development of all.

State Support and Care.

To this end we wish to express our approval of the principle of State support and care of all such, — although it may not be wise to attempt so radical a change at a single stroke, but gradually, as each step is justified by experience and continued study.

This approval is based upon the following considerations: —

1. We are convinced that it is for the best interests of the insane and of the Commonwealth that all insane poor should be cared for and supported by the State. They have peculiar needs, which require special knowledge and training of those who care for them.

2. The separation of the sexes in the case of irresponsible persons with defective wills, morbid desires and immoral tendencies is a matter of supreme importance, with reference both to their proper protection and to increase of degenerate dependents. We believe that this can be accomplished more effectually and with less restriction of liberty than now prevails either in the almshouse or the State institutions.

3. An unequal burden is now borne by the different cities and towns in the maintenance of their insane poor. This has been recognized by legislation beginning in 1892 and continued to 1899, when the following law was enacted (chapter 156, Acts of 1899): —

> . . . Whenever it shall be made to appear to the governor and council that a town of this Commonwealth having a taxable valuation of less than five hundred thousand dollars, in the valuation of polls and estates established by the general court, is lawfully charged with the maintenance, at one of the state insane hospitals or asylums, or the state almshouse or state farm, of an insane person, or whenever such town is lawfully charged with the maintenance of an inmate of the Massachusetts school for the feeble-minded or of the hospital cottages for children, by reason of such person having a legal settlement in such town, the expense hereafter incurred for such maintenance may be reimbursed such town in whole or in part from the state treasury.

According to the report of the State Board of Charity for the year ending Sept. 30, 1899, 49 towns were thus aided during the year, and were reimbursed to the amount of $12,078.78.

State support would evenly distribute and justly apportion the entire cost of maintenance of all the insane poor within the Commonwealth.

4. We believe that all chronic insane of the class now cared for in almshouses can be supported by the State at as low a rate as now prevails in the well managed of such institutions, and at

the same time enjoy all that can reasonably be desired for their comfort and welfare.

5. Under a proper system of State care and support, the chronic insane could be employed to a greater extent in useful occupation, resulting in diminished cost of maintenance, because of improvement in their mental and physical condition and greater returns from the products of their labor.

6. The application of settlement laws would be simplified and much less expensive, inasmuch as State support would necessitate only the inquiry whether the insane poor are entitled to maintenance within the Commonwealth, and would eliminate present investigations by State officers and overseers of the poor as to the liability of each city or town.

We therefore recommend such legislation as will provide that all insane persons who are now or who may hereafter become public charges shall be supported at the expense of the Commonwealth, and that all such insane poor shall be committed according to the laws for the commitment of the insane to the custody and control of the authorities of the Commonwealth, and shall be cared for in buildings which shall be owned or controlled by the Commonwealth.

Other Subjects for Consideration.

We are further required to present for your consideration: —

1. Such method or methods as will in our judgment most effectually provide for "the care of the insane poor, who, under existing laws, are cared for by or supported at the expense of cities and towns."

Such insane persons, on Oct. 1, 1899, numbered 5,607, or 67.5 per cent. of all the insane under the supervision of this Board.

2. "A plan for the remedial treatment of recoverable cases of insanity in a hospital set apart for such treatment, and to which no other cases of insanity shall be committed."

3. "A plan by which convalescing insane patients, during the period of recovery, shall have ample opportunity of association with sane people, and be freed from association with insane people so far as practicable."

4. "A statement of what building or buildings are needed to accommodate" the above-mentioned class of insane persons.

A General System of Care.

It is evident, therefore, that it was the intention of the Legislature that this Board should mature a general system of care for all the insane requiring public provision.

Such basic principles should be adopted as will not only meet the present need, but will anticipate the requirements of an increasing number of the insane, in order that a harmonious system may be established, capable of extension to any limit and flexible to any demand that may be made upon it.

The first object to be accomplished is an ample classification.

The units of our present State system are: —

1. The *hospital*, which receives directly from the courts all classes of the insane, both recoverable and chronic.

2. The *asylum*, which receives only from the hospitals transfers of chronic cases.

Thus is recognized the principal of separation of the *acute* and *curable* from the *chronic*. This principle should be dominant in all future extensions.

The average daily population of the State insane hospitals and the Boston Insane Hospital, during the past ten years, has been augmented at the average rate of 271.04 persons per annum. This influx into the hospitals will naturally crowd out an equal number; the latter should be of the chronic class, and should be provided for according to a plan to be hereinafter described. The result of such depletion will be the gradual approach in the hospitals to a strictly *hospital* class, consisting of the acute and curable insane, and others requiring strictly hospital treatment.

The Acute and Curable Insane.

In developing a method of care for the curable insane, the question arises whether there should be more than one centre for the treatment of such. There are many and cogent reasons why existing centres of hospital treatment should be preserved and perfected, although further and better provision is not thereby excluded as the final complement of an adequate system: —

1. The acutely insane should not be delayed in coming under the best medical care.

2. They should not be compelled to suffer the exhaustion of a long journey to a distant hospital, nor to take unnecessary risk of detention in a station-house.

3. They should not be removed too far from their friends, whose interest and solicitude are most acute under such circumstances.

The proper separation of the curable from the incurable insane would require additional facilities for classification, both during the period of remedial treatment and during convalescence.

Present hospitals are compact in their arrangement, bringing

different classes into intimate association. Those patients requiring close supervision and restriction, and insensitive to their surroundings, are now properly provided for. But the sensitive, quiet, mildly insane of the curable class should be withdrawn into an environment in keeping with their condition, which would inspire hope and courage in aid of their recovery.

For the present it seems best that each hospital should have separate provision for the treatment of the curable class. If the time should come for the building of a new hospital exclusively for curable cases, it could hardly be until thorough investigation had been made to ascertain the best methods of cure. It might be found that the methods differ materially in the several hospitals, and that some methods are better and more successful than others. The Board desires time to examine thoroughly and carefully, for the purpose of ascertaining, as nearly as may be, the exact truth in this respect, with the view of ensuring that, in a new hospital, the very best methods of cure known to those who are expert in the treatment of curable insanity shall be adopted; and it does not therefore now recommend the founding of a new institution for acute and curable cases only.

When a patient enters fully into the period of convalescence, he should leave all association with the insane, and return to home-like conditions and live with the mentally well. This could readily be accomplished by the erection, in connection with each hospital, of a small cottage for each sex, to be apart and remote from the institution, yet under the same management.

Additions to present hospitals, as herein suggested, together with suitable provision for nurses and infirmary patients and a thorough equipment for medical and scientific work, would be in the line of improving and perfecting them.

If the Boston Insane Hospital should become a State institution, these principles should apply to its development.

We therefore recommend provision, according to this general outline, for the recoverable cases of insanity.

The Chronic Insane.

Chronic cases of insanity constitute a large proportion of all the insane. Many of them are quiet, able-bodied persons. There are also some excitable patients, who would improve and become efficient workers under appropriate conditions. These classes we believe are suitable for colonization.

Colonies for the care and employment of epileptics have been in successful operation for many years in other countries, notably

at Bielefeld, Germany, and more recently in New York and other States.

In 1896 the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded took the initial step toward the formation of one for its grown-up boys and girls, who, after passing through the school period, were not fit to be returned to their homes, but were capable of useful employment. Such are about to be transferred to the large and inexpensive estate recently purchased by the school, near Baldwinville, in the town of Templeton.

The Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics also is working toward this general plan.

Colony for the Chronic Insane.

A colony for the chronic insane of the above classes may be outlined thus: —

It should start with a farm of not less than two thousand acres, near good railroad facilities. The land may be rough, hilly and stony, but should ultimately become fertile, when brought under cultivation by the labor of patients. There should be plenty of growing timber and wood, clay beds for brick making, a quarry for stone cutting, water power, and other natural advantages for the formation of a village community.

From this stage the work should proceed under the general supervision of a board of trustees and in immediate charge of a superintendent, who, in addition to being a good medical man, should have practical business qualities. He should live at the colony, and give his entire energies to its service. Starting with a good farmer, he should gradually gather a competent corps of assistants, namely, carpenters, masons and other mechanics, who, with the aid of patients, should continue the structural and industrial development. There should prevail a spirit of self-help and reluctance to call in outside assistance to do anything which could be accomplished through internal resources.

The construction of the buildings should be plain, simple and durable. The standard of workmanship should not be allowed to rise higher than the attainment of common mechanics and patients. At the start, only necessary and ordinary comforts should be expected. These should be supplemented later by every pleasure and improvement which a surplus of labor and the increasing skill of patients might be able to provide.

Such a tract of land would probably be an aggregation of several farms, with buildings already upon them. These should be utilized so far as possible. Gradually, here and there, in suitable locations, groups of buildings of varying size and arrangement should

be erected, and sufficiently scattered to afford the necessary classification as to sex, occupation and social and mental condition.

A small number of patients should be received as soon as possible, to assist in the farming, excavating, road building and other work incident to construction. Thus should gradually grow up the first farmstead group. Others should follow, as required, to bring the patients near the fields which they are to till.

In time, on the water-power site, should be established carpenter, machine, blacksmith and paint shops, laundry, sawmill and gristmill, and near by, homes for patients. Other industrial centres should form, one by one, for making necessary articles for use in the colony.

As soon as practicable, women should be provided for, at a considerable distance from the men. They would naturally fall into groups for sewing and mending, tailoring and hand laundering. They should make the butter, conduct the dairy, pick the fruits and engage in similar occupations.

Ultimately a stage should be reached when more would be produced than could be used in the colony. Then the surplus of labor should be sufficient to undertake many improvements which before had waited for more urgent necessities.

Recommendations.

Therefore, in accordance with the foregoing, we recommend for immediate action: —

1. Such legislation as will provide that all insane persons who are now or who may hereafter become public charges shall be supported at the expense of the Commonwealth on and after Jan. 1, 1904.

This would involve the transfer from city and town account to that of the State of the cost of maintenance at the same rate of some 5,607 persons.

2. That all such insane poor shall be committed according to the laws for the commitment of the insane to the custody and control of the authorities of the Commonwealth as soon after Jan. 1, 1904, and in such manner, as may be deemed advisable by the State Board of Insanity.

3. That all such insane poor shall be cared for in buildings which shall be owned or controlled by the Commonwealth.

This would require additional provision: —

(1) For about 500 patients who are inmates of the Boston Insane Hospital.

(2) For about 900 insane persons who are now cared for in city

and town almshouses and private families in care of overseers of the poor.

4. Such legislation as may be necessary to acquire for the State the land, buildings and equipment in use by the Boston Insane Hospital.

5. That a colony for the chronic insane should be established, according to the general plan outlined in this report.

6. That the Legislature appropriate a sum not exceeding $25,000, to be expended under the direction of the State Board of Insanity, for the purchase of not less than 2,000 acres of land for such a colony.

7. That the Legislature appropriate a sum not exceeding $50,000, to be expended under the direction of a board of trustees, for the proper organization of such a colony, and toward the construction of buildings and the procuring of other equipment necessary for that purpose.

The propositions submitted to us have been considered in relation to a general plan of progressive development, which in our judgment better solves the problem than the erection of new hospitals for the specific purposes suggested.

The system recommended is comprehensive, and would take some time and the gradual expenditure of money to complete; and, if perfected, will result in a thorough separation of acute from chronic cases, and we believe in the best care of both.

This report is respectfully submitted.

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Charles R. Codman,
Edw. S. Bradford,
Francis B. Gardner,
State Board of Insanity.

Hospitals for the Insane.

The hospital, in distinction from the asylum, receives direct commitments from the courts, and has for its primary object the treatment of recent and curable cases of insanity.

There are five State hospitals, located at Worcester, Taunton, Northampton, Danvers and Westborough.

The Worcester Insane Hospital.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Insane.	Voluntary.	Dipso-maniacs.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898, . . .	378	496	242	472	160	873	-	1	874
Admitted during year, . .	278	270	-	-	-	544	-	4	548
Discharged during year, . .	243	211	-	-	-	452	-	2	454
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . .	413	555	223	576	169	965	-	3	968

Classification of discharges: Recoveries of insane, 105; deaths, 95; discharged by transfer, 42; other removals, 212; total, 454.

Of the 390 first admissions within the year, 93 were discharged as recovered.

The daily average of patients was 913.5. The largest number present at any one time was 968; the smallest, 857. In addition to the 107 discharged as recovered (including 2 habitual drunkards), 78 were much improved, 78 improved and 83 not improved; 13 were discharged as not insane. Of the recoveries, 38 of them had been insane less than one month before admission, 17 less than three months and 13 less than one year.

Among the deaths, 23 had general paralysis, 28 senile dementia and 11 phthisis.

Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the year, intemperance is assigned in 129 cases, heredity in 47, senility in 38 and epilepsy in 10.

Of the patients removed during the year, 3 were transferred to Westborough, 33 to Worcester Asylum, one to Medfield, 2 to the Asylum Wards of the State Almshouse and 3 to the Hospital for Epileptics. Twelve men and 16 women were removed by overseers of the poor; 20 men and 23 women were discharged to the care of the Board of Insanity, to be removed from the State.

There have been committed during the year to this hospital 8 male inebriates, who, in the opinion of the superintendent, might have been more properly sent to the Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates. This is made possible by

the continuance in force of chapter 339 of the Acts of 1885, relating to the commitment of persons who are inebriates or dipsomaniacs to the insane hospitals, and by the fact that the commitment of such to the Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates is not mandatory. The superintendent believes that the intention of the prominent promoters of the legislation leading to the establishment of the Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates is thus defeated.

The infirmary wards, which were under construction at the end of last year, were completed and occupied early in the fall. They are attractive, and contribute greatly to the better care of the feeble class.

The occupancy of the new kitchen was delayed until late in the spring, but is proving very satisfactory in its arrangements.

Here, as elsewhere, the need is felt of better provision for nurses.

The director of the laboratory gives an instructive report of the medical work during the past three years, during which it has been organized as at present. It is encouraging to note that so much has been accomplished in so short a time, and that scientific research is not being separated from the more practical work of the hospital. It is evident that it helps greatly to a better understanding of the condition of the patients, and points the way to a larger fulfilment of these in their daily care.

The Taunton Insane Hospital.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Insane.	Voluntary.	Dipso-maniacs	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898, . . .	401	405	156	577	73	801	-	5	806
Admitted during the year, .	225	180	-	-	-	400	-	5	405
Discharged during the year, .	190	161	-	-	-	348	-	3	351
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . .	436	424	187	600	73	853	-	7	860

Classification of discharges: Recoveries of insane, 84; deaths, 136; discharged by transfer, 28; other removals, 100; total, 348.

Of the 340 first admissions within the year, 73 were discharged recovered.

The daily average of patients was 833.67. The largest number present at any one time was 870; the smallest, 801. In addition to the 84 discharged as recovered, 25 were much improved and 34 improved. Of the recoveries, 24 had acute melancholia and 9 had acute mania; 32 of them had been insane less than one month before admission, 4 less than three months and 6 less than a year.

Among the deaths, 18 had general paralysis, 14 had senile dementia and 15 had phthisis.

Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the year, intemperance is assigned in 67 cases, heredity in 50, senility in 20, and epilepsy in 14.

Of the patients removed during the year, 12 were transferred to Medfield Asylum, 9 to the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, 2 to the Hospital for Epileptics, 1 to Worcester Hospital, 2 to the Hospital Cottages for Children, 1 to Danvers Hospital, 1 to the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded and 30 to the State Board of Insanity, to be removed from the State.

Systematic work has been done in the pathological department, 43 autopsies and many microscopic examinations of morbid tissues having been made. The first aim in all matters of investigation has been to take up such as would aid in diagnosis and treatment.

The training school has been put in charge of an experienced superintendent of nurses, and continues to render good service. A nurses' home is desired at an early date.

Malaria has appeared at the hospital, as well as throughout the city of Taunton. It is thus far of a mild type, and quickly amenable to treatment.

The purchase of the Brigg's farm fills a long-felt need of more land. It is located about two miles from the institution, and has a serviceable farm-house and one hundred acres of good tillage land. A few patients are already living there. It is proposed to carry this on by patients' labor, and to extend provision for patients on the colony plan.

Very commendable progress has been made during the year in employing patients in the manufacture of useful

articles. Nearly all the men's and women's clothing, and all their boots, shoes and slippers are now made by them. Brush making has been extended. Sewing and knitting are not only done in the sewing room, but are also supervised upon the wards by a special attendant. Some 400 men and women patients have been occupied in these ways throughout the year.

An increasing number of persons have been allowed parole of the grounds; 119 persons have enjoyed this privilege the past year.

The Northampton Insane Hospital.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Insane.	Voluntary.	Dipso-maniacs.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898, . . .	283	280	60	405	98	562	-	1	563
Admitted during the year, .	115	105	-	-	-	117	2	1	220
Discharged during the year, .	103	90	-	-	-	190	1	2	193
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . .	295	295	82	420	88	589	1	-	590

Classification of discharges: Recoveries of insane, 56; deaths, 52; discharged by transfer, 1; other removals, 84.

Of the 176 first admissions within the year, 46 were dis charged recovered.

The daily average of patients was 563.32. In addition to the 56 discharged as recovered, 21 were much improved and 21 improved. Of the recoveries, 11 had acute melancholia and 14 acute mania; 25 of them had been insane less than one month before admission, 11 less than three months and 13 less than one year.

Among the deaths, 6 had general paralysis, 5 had senile dementia and 6 had phthisis.

Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the year, intemperance is assigned in 40 cases, heredity in 11, senility in 25 and epilepsy in 2.

There was but one transfer from this hospital during the year, a man, to the Hospital for Epileptics.

The percentage of admissions to this hospital of senile cases has more than doubled during the past ten years.

Owing to the gradual increase in the number of patients without materially increased accommodation, about one hundred temporary beds have to be made up each night in the corridors, necessitating much increased work for nurses and causing great wear and tear on the wards. Such overcrowding exists to a greater or less degree in most of the other hospitals, and will soon demand serious consideration.

The additions and alterations in the centre building are nearing completion, and are most satisfactory in appearance and convenience.

In this, as in former reports, the trustees call attention to the lack of suitable provision for the acute and convalescent cases and for the sick and infirm patients.

The pavilion, generously provided by Miss Martha Eastman of Amherst, is a very attractive and useful addition to the hospital grounds, and is the resort of many patients and employees for recreation and entertainment.

The physicians have been active during the year in their regular staff meetings for the study of their patients and the discussion of various subjects relating to them. They have given lectures to the members of the training school for nurses, as a supplement to the clinical instruction by the superintendent of nurses.

Hydro-therapeutic treatment has been applied to a considerable number of cases, with excellent results. Every case showed improvement in nutrition, sleep and behavior.

Much attention has been paid to the employment of patients, both in and outside the wards.

The large and excellent farm is a great assistance in this direction, and adds materially to the resources of the hospital.

A graduate of the Boston Normal School of Gymnastics has been employed to give instruction in gymnastics and massage. Individual attention has been given to certain patients in whom improvement was to be expected. One of her duties has been the "direction of athletics and games of all sorts, indoors and out."

About the middle of September a serious epidemic of typhoid fever broke out in the hospital; some fifty cases developed in a few weeks. No new cases have recently

appeared. The State Board of Health was requested to make, and is making, an investigation of the cause, but has not yet arrived at a definite conclusion. It seems probable that no conditions existing within the wards are responsible for the outbreak.

The Danvers Insane Hospital.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Insane.	Voluntary.	Dipso-maniacs.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898, . . .	416	474	211	579	100	888	1	1	890
Admitted during the year, .	233	211	-	-	-	439	3	2	444
Discharged during the year, .	175	181	-	-	-	353	2	1	356
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . .	474	504	187	694	97	974	2	2	978

Classification of discharges: Recoveries of insane, 52; deaths, 111; discharged by transfer, 11; other removals, 123.

Of the 355 first admissions within the year, 35 were discharged recovered.

The daily average of patients was 925. In addition to the 52 discharged as recovered, 45 were much improved and 57 improved. Of the recoveries, 30 had been insane less than one month before admission, 7 less than three months, 10 less than one year.

Among the deaths, 25 had general paralysis, 11 had senile dementia and 14 had phthisis.

Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the year, intemperance is assigned in 45 cases, heredity in 56 and senility in 49.

Of the patients removed during the year, 2 were transferred to Westborough, 2 to Medfield, 2 to the Asylum Wards of the State Almshouse, 2 to the McLean Hospital, 1 each to the School for the Feeble-minded and the Hospital for Epileptics and 22 to the State Board of Insanity, to be removed from the State.

We note with satisfaction an increasing interest at this and other hospitals in the classification of the different forms of insanity according to more definite and scientific standards.

The importance of a more uniform classification will be appreciated when we consider that one hundred and thirty different terms have been used in the annual reports of the Massachusetts hospitals and asylums for the insane, during the past ten years, to describe the various mental states coming under observation. Such diversity of opinion and indefiniteness of expression nullify comparative statements and lessen the value of our statistical tables.

The pathologist has made a very careful study of the conditions of the arteries of the brain, and reports the results in an instructive paper.

The training school for nurses has been in existence for ten years, during which 67 nurses have been graduated.

Great activity has been apparent in making necessary repairs and in new structural changes. Sixteen thousand dollars have been expended during the year out of the current income for such purposes.

The sewerage system has been completed, and is very satisfactory in operation.

The annex to the female wing has been occupied for some time, and that to the male wing will soon be ready for patients.

New boilers for heating and power, and a system of electric lighting, are being installed.

The Westborough Insane Hospital.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Insane.	Voluntary.	Dipso-maniacs.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898, . . .	232	352	118	374	92	566	12	6	584
Admitted during the year, .	166	181	-	-	-	304	32	11	347
Discharged during the year, .	127	150	-	-	-	243	23	11	277
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . .	271	383	168	372	114	627	21	6	654

Classification of discharges: Recoveries, 66; deaths, 61; discharged by transfer, 12; other removals, 138.

Of the 117 first admissions within the year, 32 were discharged recovered.

The daily average of patients was 616. In addition to

the 66 discharged as recovered, 60 were much improved and 32 improved. Of the recoveries, 27 had acute melancholia and 16 had acute mania; 19 of them had been insane less than one month before admission, 17 less than three months and 7 less than one year.

Among the deaths, 11 had general paralysis, 18 senile dementia and 3 phthisis.

Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the year, intemperance is assigned in 27 cases, heredity in 12, senility in 10 and epilepsy in 13.

Of the patients removed during the year, 1 was transferred to Worcester Hospital, 1 to Danvers, 6 to Medfield, 3 to the Asylum Wards of the State Almshouse and 1 to a private hospital; 19 were discharged to the State Board of Insanity, to be removed out of the State.

There have been during the year 32 voluntary admissions to this hospital, equalling nine per cent. of all cases received. This form of admission applies only to those who are not legally insane, but feel the need of hospital treatment and voluntarily place themselves under care. It is pleasant to see the increasing confidence and appreciation of the benefit of such care, and to anticipate an increasing use of this form of securing it without the delays and publicity of formal commitment.

The training school for nurses continues to exert a helpful influence.

This hospital has exercised commendable effort and interest in the employment of its patients. An average of 148 men and 154 women patients have been usefully employed during the year.

A detached building for acute cases was opened in March, and has met all the expectations of the hospital authorities regarding its usefulness. It is thus made possible to place this class in more hopeful surroundings, and to encourage them by separation from the incurable cases.

A new pump, connected with an electric motor, has been added to the equipment for supplying water, and has been in operation since July.

A new fire-alarm system has been installed, extending to the cottages and out-buildings.

The new barn has been built within the appropriation of $10,000. All the excavating was done by the patients.

Much painstaking laboratory work has been done by the pathologist, in many examinations of the blood, sputa and urine. Nine autopsies have been made, and considerable histological work done upon the brains thus available.

Asylums for the Insane.

The asylums usually receive only transfers from other institutions. However, both those at Tewksbury and Bridgewater receive recent cases of insanity.

There are four State asylums, located at Worcester, Medfield, Tewksbury and Bridgewater.

The Worcester Insane Asylum.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	206	213	107	312	419
Admitted during the year, . . .	26	48	-	-	74
Discharged during the year, . .	16	16	-	-	32
Number Sept. 30, 1899, ...	216	245	135	326	461

The daily average of patients was 433.81.

Of the 32 discharges, 2 were recovered; there were 27 deaths.

Among the deaths, 7 were from phthisis.

The transfers to this asylum during the year have included 29 epileptics, — a very undesirable class of patients for association with the insane. Ten per cent. of all admissions were in poor physical condition; many were violent and untidy cases. The superintendent states that "every year brings a greater pressure for the accommodation afforded by single rooms." Changes and improvements are in contemplation which will help to fill this need.

A very comfortable, homelike air is a pleasant feature of this institution.

Regular instruction in nursing is given to nurses by resident officers, which is sometimes supplemented by a special course at the Worcester City Hospital.

Questions of diet and assimilation of food are receiving careful attention here. This is an important matter, inasmuch as it is not only necessary to furnish plenty of good and well-cooked food, but to see that it is taken by the patient in proper quantities and in such form that it may be easily digested. The teeth of the insane are often lacking or defective, so that proper mastication is impossible.

An electric lighting system is being installed.

The south wings have been brightened by the addition of bay windows, and improved by better heating and ventilation.

Considerable useful work has been done by the patients, who have assisted in general repairs, scraping and refinishing floors, repairing furniture and like occupation.

The Medfield Insane Asylum.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	424	577	204	797	1,001
Admitted during the year, . . .	114	60	-	-	174
Discharged during the year, . .	37	50	-	-	87
Number Sept. 30, 1899, ...	501	587	233	855	1,088

The daily average number of patients was 1,031.04.

Of the 87 patients discharged, 1 was recovered and there were 57 deaths.

Among the deaths, 6 were from general paralysis and 13 from tuberculosis.

This asylum is gradually filling to its limit of capacity. Many violent, untidy and troublesome patients are transferred here, who require much tact and good judgment in their care and management.

A most useful adjunct to the asylum equipment is the new industrial building. This furnishes good machine, carpenter and paint shops on the first floor. On the second floor mat-

tress making, tailoring and other industries for patients will be carried on. The superintendent will endeavor to produce such articles as may be used in the institution.

Two new generators and an engine have been added to the electric plant.

Night nurses have been provided rooms in the attics of the C buildings, and are no longer compelled to sleep on the wards. Numerous other repairs and improvements have been made.

The Asylum Wards, State Almshouse.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	103	349	281	171	452
Admitted during the year, ...	58	60	-	-	118
Discharged during the year, . . .	39	37	-	-	76
Number Sept. 30, 1899, ...	122	372	326	168	494

The daily average of patients was 460.35.

Of the 76 discharges, 7 were recovered and there were 38 deaths. In addition to the 7 recoveries, 10 were discharged improved.

Among the deaths, 1 was from general paralysis, 6 from phthisis and 5 from senility.

Among the probable causes of insanity in persons admitted during the year, intemperance is assigned in 13 cases, heredity in 8, senility in 18 and epilepsy in 2.

The original capacity of these wards was 400 women and 100 men of the chronic class. It has been customary, however, for the State Board to commit certain new cases from the Almshouse Department. During the past year 54 men and 47 women have been so committed.

The practice has grown up of transferring thither, from the State insane hospitals, pregnant women to be cared for during confinement. Thus no small amount of important hospital work is thrown upon this institution, and is being done in a most creditable manner.

The insane men are unavoidably crowded into a single

ward, without proper classification. The trustees propose to ask the incoming Legislature for a new building for 100 men, which will remedy this.

The women are well classified, and are surrounded by many homelike conditions.

The State Asylum for Insane Criminals.

Numbers.

	State.	Town.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898,	187	113	300
Admitted during the year,	-	-	74
Discharged during the year,	-	-	43
Number Sept. 30, 1899,	205	126	331

The daily average number of patients was 316.5.

Of the 43 discharges, 12 were recovered and there were 20 deaths. In addition to the 12 discharged as recovered, 3 were much improved and 3 improved.

Of the recoveries, 4 had acute melancholia and 1 acute mania; 5 had been insane less than 3 months before admission and 4 less than a year.

Among the deaths, 5 had general paralysis and 4 had phthisis.

Of the patients removed during the year, 1 was discharged by the court, 1 transferred to Danvers Hospital, 5 returned to penal institutions, 1 returned to jail to await trial and 7 discharged to the State Board of Insanity, to be removed out of the State.

This asylum is a department of the State Farm. It should properly be called a hospital, inasmuch as it receives recent and curable cases of the criminal class directly from the courts, in the same manner as the other State hospitals for the insane.

Such of its sick patients as cannot, on account of their mental condition, be treated in the general hospital of the institution, are now scattered through the different wards, where it is difficult to care for them. It is not now possible to separate the curable cases in a ward set apart for that

purpose. Both these needs will shortly be met by the erection of a new building, for which an appropriation is available, and whose construction is about to be commenced.

A great amount of indoor work is done by the patients.

A proposition is now under consideration, which, if executed, will lead to the enclosure with a high wall of about sixteen acres of land, thus furnishing the necessary safeguards against escape of this dangerous class, and enabling them to work outside upon this farm plot. Such additions will greatly facilitate the excellent work of the institution.

Other State and Partly State Institutions.

Special institutions have been established for the treatment of the inebriate or dipsomaniac, the epileptic and the feeble-minded.

The Massachusetts Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

Numbers.

	State.	Town.	Private.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898,	97	56	6	159
Admitted during the year,	-	-	-	344
Final discharges during the year,	-	-	-	137
Leaves of absence during the year,	-	-	-	189
Elopements during the year,	-	-	-	150
Number Sept. 30, 1899,	76	91	7	174

The daily average number of patients was 177.25.

Of the discharges, 6 were transferred to Taunton Hospital.

Of the 310 cases committed during the year, 274 were first commitments, 32 second commitments, 3 third commitments and 1 was received for the fourth time.

Of the patients committed, 6 were between seventy and eighty years of age, 11 between sixty and seventy, 36 between fifty and sixty, 100 between forty and fifty, 57 between thirty-five and forty, 46 between thirty and thirty-five, 39 between twenty-five and thirty and 15 between twenty and twenty-five.

The daily average number of patients is gradually increasing. There are being received fewer cases who are not suitable for treatment at such an institution.

Under the new superintendent, more work is being done by the inmates, although there is still much to be desired in this particular. Greater cleanliness is apparent. The attitude of the patients toward the institution is improving.

Needed repairs are being made. Plans for a gymnasium and chapel building have been prepared and contracts made for construction. This will be pushed rapidly to completion.

The Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	State.	Town.	Private.	Insane.	Sane.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	96	104	58	134	8	171	29	200
Admitted during the year, ...	66	36	-	-	-	24	78	102
Discharged during the year, ...	53	33	-	-	-	57	29	86
Number Sept. 30, 1899, ...	109	107	60	146	10	138	78	216

The daily average number of patients was 206.43.

Of the 86 discharges, there were 17 deaths; 5 were discharged much improved, 21 improved and 37 not improved; 29 were transferred to other institutions, namely: 22 to Worcester Asylum, 6 to Medfield Asylum and 1 to Boston Insane Hospital.

Among the deaths, 1 was from general paralysis and 2 were from phthisis.

More than the full capacity for patients has been reached during the year, so that relief has been necessary by transfers to the asylums.

Hyde Cottage, which is an old building remodelled, will furnish accommodations for 20 more epileptic men. Plans are being matured for the erection of hospital and infirmary buildings for 100 patients and a cottage for 20 epileptic women, also for a congregate dining room and kitchen for employees and such patients as are able to go out to their meals.

Patients have done much grading and road building during

the summer, so that the grounds are gradually putting on an improved appearance. Demented patients have crushed, with hammers, a great amount of stone for macadamizing walks and driveways.

Printing, shoemaking, tailoring, furniture repairing and like industries have been carried on in the industrial room.

Special attention is paid to occupying stupid, demented patients, who are thus removed from the wards into out-door life, and gradually improve physically and oftentimes mentally. It is found that some of these can be taught to do simple and rough kinds of work, and gradually become useful.

All epileptic seizures are recorded, together with other clinical facts. This class of patients requires much medical attention.

The Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded.

This is a corporate institution. It receives, however, public charges at the regular rate of $3.25 per week. The State appoints six of its trustees, and has appropriated money for buildings and land.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898,	351	247	598
Admitted during the year,	61	37	98
Discharged during the year,	41	12	53
Died during the year,	10	11	21
Number Sept. 30, 1899,	361	261	622
School cases admitted,	36	18	54
Custodial cases admitted,	24	20	44
Private cases now present,	19	16	35
Massachusetts school beneficiaries,	147	78	225
Cases supported by income of invested funds,	10	5	15
Custodial cases supported by the State,	44	40	84
Custodial cases supported by cities and towns,	114	113	227
Beneficiaries of other New England States,	26	10	36

The daily average was 605.

Of the 98 admissions, 24 were of school age and grade; 39 were over fourteen years of age, and of this number 18 were females; 14 were transferred from Tewksbury Almshouse and 4 from the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough.

Of the 53 discharges, 40 were taken home by their friends for various reasons, 7 were discharged by request of the overseers of the poor, 3 were transferred to the insane hospital, 2 aliens were sent out of the country by the government authorities and 1 ran away to his home and was not returned.

Out of a large number of urgent applications for admission, only 65, nearly all emergency cases, could be received, on account of the present overcrowding.

A cow barn and horse stable have been built, and numerous repairs and improvements have been made within the past year.

A large estate has recently been purchased, near Baldwinville in the town of Templeton, to which it is proposed to transfer their grown-up boys and girls who need to remain under care. The general plan of this undertaking is fully described by the superintendent in the school report of this year, a part of which is here copied: —

We have nearly or quite two thousand acres, embracing four large hills, with the valleys and level land between the hills. There are at least one hundred and fifty acres of good, strong farming land, now sowed to grass or ready for the plough. There are four thrifty orchards, which last year produced over twelve hundred barrels of marketable apples. There are several thousand cords of good hard wood, besides considerable timber, scattered over several hundred acres of woodland. The pastures, in their present condition, will pasture one hundred head of stock. There is a brook basin which will furnish an unlimited supply of the purest water. Large deposits of sand and gravel, in convenient locations, will provide for the disposal of sewage. There is an abundance of stone, sand, gravel and clay for building purposes. There are hundreds of acres of sprout land, covered with stones, stumps and bushes, which the labor of our boys can transform into cultivated fields. The seven farm-houses on the estate are pleas-

antly located, and can be put in fairly good repair. At least three of the barns are in good condition and ready for use.

At Waltham we now have 100 able-bodied adult male inmates, who have been kept busy with the rough work of developing our estate. This work is now practically completed, and we need the lighter work of cultivating the farm and garden, as occupation and as a means of industrial training for the younger boys of the school. I recommend that suitable provision be made for the transfer of these 100 able-bodied males to our Templeton estate in the spring of 1900.

In making provision for these persons, certain facts should be borne in mind. The persons to be provided for are a selected class of the feeble-minded. Nearly all of them have been under training in this school since childhood. They do not need expensive school rooms and appliances. They are not sick people, requiring hospital provision or care. They are not violent, insane or criminal, requiring heavy brick or stone walls to prevent escape. They need only the most simple living and sleeping apartments, roomy, sunny, well warmed and ventilated, with the very best toilet and bathing facilities and suitable appliances for the cooking and serving of food.

Our plan for providing for this class does not contemplate the organization of a conventional institution, but the gradual development of an agricultural and industrial community, our people living in simple, inexpensive dwellings, similar to those in other farming communities. This community will eventually have an amusement hall, a saw mill, a grist mill, a tailor shop, a paint shop, etc., every sort of employment and every sort of recreation, — everything, in short, that goes to make up the life in a typical country village.

In order to establish and maintain a high standard of physical, mental and moral care of the inmates, and to insure the successful working of the plan, a competent, experienced medical officer should be on the ground from the beginning, to closely watch and supervise all the workings of the community.

The Board has inspected this estate and has investigated the general plan of development. In its opinion, the above extracts fairly represent its advantages. The undertaking meets with its cordial approval.

The Hospital Cottages for Children.

This is a corporate institution. It receives, however, some public charges at the regular rate of $3.25 per week. The State appoints five of its trustees, and has appropriated money for some of its buildings.

Numbers.

Whole number of patients Sept. 30, 1898,	116
Number remaining Sept. 30, 1899,	142
The largest number on any one day,	144
The smallest number on any one day,	111
The average number for the year,	126
Number of out-cases during the year,	44
The number of in-cases from opening of hospital,	748

Epileptic children under fourteen years of age are received, and constitute about 75 per cent. of all the inmates. Children with physical deformities which require treatment, and a few feeble-minded, are cared for.

Its wards are very much crowded, and additional room will be necessary to enable it to extend its excellent and much-needed work.

Municipal and Private Institutions.

The Boston Insane Hospital.

This is a municipal institution, owned and maintained by the city of Boston. The department for women is located at Austin Farm and that for men at Pierce Farm.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898,	323	244	567
Admitted during the year,	136	208	344
Discharged during the year,	202	202	404
Number Sept. 30, 1899,	257	250	507

The average number present was 521.05.

Of those discharged, 38 were recovered, 21 much improved and 27 improved; there were 92 deaths during the year.

Of the 344 admissions, 5 were voluntary.

The number of new commitments to this hospital has been increasing of late, so that it now does a large amount of hospital work. Frequent transfers to the State asylums are required, to relieve overcrowding and make room for recent cases.

A training school for nurses is now in full operation, having 15 pupils.

Nine acres of land have been acquired this year. Many trees and shrubs have been set out at the men's department.

The old wooden "A" building, formerly used for patients, was condemned by this Board as unfit for such purpose, on account of great danger from fire. Such use has been discontinued. This building has been remodelled into very pleasant and convenient offices, reception room, dispensary, sewing room and additional accommodation for nurses and employees.

Quarters for men nurses have been finished in the attics of the men's department, and men patients from three wards go to the central building for their meals, thus affording additional dormitory space. Much new furniture has been provided.

General improvement is apparent in both departments.

The McLean Hospital.

This is a corporate, private institution, a branch of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Numbers.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Number Oct. 1, 1898,	73	91	164
Admitted during the year,	53	70	123
Discharged during the year,	46	70	116
Number Sept. 30, 1899,	80	91	171

The average number present was 154.54.

Of those discharged, 35 were recovered, 21 were much

improved and 24 improved; there were 9 deaths during the year.

Of the 123 admissions, 66 were voluntary; 82 had been insane less than one year.

The training school for nurses, the first to be established for the systematic instruction of nurses in the care of the insane, continues to do the most advanced work of this kind.

Fine facilities for hydro-therapeutic treatment have been added to the unexcelled equipment of this hospital.

Particular attention is now being paid to the clinical study of the insane, with the view of determining a basis of classification of the different forms of insanity according to underlying disease processes, rather than according to prominent symptoms. The progressive work, long characteristic of this hospital, would be deserving of extended comment, if it were not so well known and recognized.

The Smaller Private Institutions.

Dr. Stedman.

	Sane.		Insane.		Total.
	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	
Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	-	3	2	5	10
Admitted during the year, . . .	3	6	3	4	16
Discharged during the year, . .	2	7	-	2	11
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	1	2	5	7	15

Dr. Russell.

Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	3	-	7	3	13
Admitted during the year, . . .	9	3	7	4	23
Discharged during the year, . .	12	2	10	3	27
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	-	1	4	4	9

Dr. Channing.

Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	1	12	-	10	23
Admitted during the year, . . .	1	9	-	-	10
Discharged during the year, . .	1	9	-	2	12
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	1	12	-	8	21

Dr. Norton.

	Sane.		Insane.		Total.
	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	
Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	1	-	1	4	6
Admitted during the year, . . .	1	2	1	2	6
Discharged during the year, . .	2	2	1	2	7
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	-	-	1	4	5

Dr. Baker.

Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	1	6	1	4	12
Admitted during the year, . . .	-	18	-	-	18
Discharged during the year, . .	-	14	-	1	15
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	1	10	1	3	15

Dr. Bemis.

Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	-	-	-	13	13
Admitted during the year, . . .	-	-	-	8	8
Discharged during the year, . .	-	-	-	10	10
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	-	-	-	11	11

Dr. Paine.

Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	-	-	2	12	14
Admitted during the year, . . .	2	7	6	10	25
Discharged during the year, . .	1	6	4	15	26
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	1	1	4	7	13

Miss Cooke.

Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	-	-	-	3	3
Admitted during the year, . . .	-	2	-	-	2
Discharged during the year, . .	-	2	-	1	3
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	-	-	-	2	2

Dr. Heald.

Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	5	2	-	1	8
Admitted during the year, . . .	7	-	1	1	9
Discharged during the year, . .	9	1	-	1	11
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	3	1	1	1	6

Dr. Ring.

	Sane.		Insane.		Total.
	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	
Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	1	7	-	-	8
Admitted during the year, . . .	16	47	-	-	63
Discharged during the year, . .	14	44	-	-	58
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	3	10	-	-	13

Dr. Keith.

Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	1	8	-	3	12
Admitted during the year, . . .	-	31	-	3	34
Discharged during the year, . .	-	32	-	4	36
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	1	7	-	2	10

Dr. Hill.

Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	3	5	1	-	9
Admitted during the year, . . .	-	5	-	-	5
Discharged during the year, . .	1	7	1	-	9
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	2	3	-	-	5

Dr. Wiswall.

Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	1	3	-	2	6
Admitted during the year, . . .	5	16	1	2	24
Discharged during the year, . .	5	17	1	3	26
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	1	2	-	1	4

Total Private Hospitals.

Number Oct. 1, 1898, ...	17	46	14	60	137
Admitted during the year, . . .	44	146	19	34	243
Discharged during the year, . .	47	143	17	44	251
Number Sept. 30, 1899, . . .	14	49	16	50	129

The Boarded-out Insane.

Statistics from Oct. 1, 1898, to Sept. 30, 1899.

	Men.	Women.	Total.
Boarded in families Sept. 30, 1898,	20	92	112
Placed out from Sept. 30, 1898, to Sept. 30, 1899,	-	6	6
Whole number of cases during the year,	20	98	118
Cases returned to institutions,	2	13	15
Cases discharged,	-	2	2
Cases died,	1	4	5
Whole number of discharges,	3	19	22
Remaining Sept. 30, 1899,	17	79	96
State patients,	4	22	26
Town patients,	7	50	57
Private patients,	5	6	11
Self-supporting patients,	1	1	2

Average number during the year,	106.52
Average number during the year supported at public expense,	91.22
Total cost of board for pauper patients,	$15,114 93
Total cost of clothing,	34 49
Total cost of supervision (including salaries),	1,727 29
Weekly cost of pauper patients (including supervision),	3 54

	1885.	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.
At board September 30,	5	34	73	80	110	148	155	175	164	158	142	129	121	112	96
Average number,	-	21	60	113	94	126	142	168	168	158	147	134	126	116	107

The patients are distributed in towns as follows: —

Ashfield, 1; Athol, 3; Auburn, 1; Boston, 2; Chelsea, 1; Cummington, 2; Danvers, 1; Dover, 2; East Bridgewater, 2; Easthampton, 2; Easton, 3; Goshen, 3; Mansfield, 1; Medford, 2; Melrose, 1; Newton, 2; Northborough, 3; North Brookfield, 8; Norton, 5; Norwood, 1; Plainfield, 2; Shrewsbury, 1; Southborough, 1; Southwick, 1; Springfield, 2; Sutton, 1; Taunton, 3; Tewksbury, 21;

Tyngsborough, 1; Walpole, 5; Westborough, 1; Williamsburg, 6.

There are also 5 patients outside the State, viz.: —

Kensington, N. H., 1; Dexter, N. H., 1; Providence, R. I., 1; East Greenwich, R. I., 1; Somers, Conn., 1.

The 96 patients remaining Sept. 30, 1899, were in sixty-five families. Two families had 4 patients each; seven families, 3; eleven families, 2; and forty-five families, 1. In the last class 2 were self-supporting and 6 were with friends.

Finances of the Board.

The expenses of the Board from Oct. 1, 1898, to Dec. 31, 1898, are as follows: —

Salaries.

C. E. Woodbury, executive officer *pro tem.*,	$750 00	
Sarah Chapman, stenographer,	200 01	
Sarah L. Powers, clerk,	175 00	
Henry J. Jenner, clerk,	135 48	
Annie A. Folger, visitor,	141 10	
Fred A. Hewey, transportation officer,	162 10	
Ella Heal, transportation officer,	101 61	
		$1,665 30

Travelling and Office Expenses.

Travel of members of Board,	$171 35	
Printing and binding,	194 35	
Stationery,	113 37	
Postage,	44 99	
Telegrams and telephone,	12 71	
Express,	6 30	
Publications,	43 30	
Typewriter supplies,	10 85	
Travelling bags,	18 40	
Medical examination,	12 00	
Transfer of patients,	24 37	
Services of assistant,	2 00	
Miscellaneous,	2 70	
		656 69
Travelling expenses: —		
A. A. Folger,	$101 69	
E. Heal,	60 74	
F. A. Hewey,	354 03	
H. J. Jenner,	4 78	
C. E. Woodbury,	118 37	
		639 61

Insane Boarded Out.

Clothing,	$3 15	
Medicine,	3 39	
Medical attendance,	16 00	
		$22 54
Total,		$2,984 14

The expenses of the Board from Jan. 1, 1899, to Sept. 30, 1899, are as follows: —

Travelling and office expenses,	$2,609 28
Salaries of officers and employees,	7,288 95
Transportation and medical examination of State paupers,	4,271 78
Support of insane paupers boarded out in families,	3,825 72
	$17,995 73

DETAILS.

Travelling and Office Expenses.

Travelling expenses of members of the Board,		$513 28
Printing,	$390 08	
Stationery and office supplies,	237 84	
Postage, telegrams and telephone,	183 41	
Publications,	51 05	
Extra services,	30 35	
Miscellaneous,	20 70	
		913 43
Travelling expenses: —		
Owen Copp,	$66 67	
Ella Heal,	78 21	
Lowell F. Wentworth,	173 37	
Chas. E. Woodbury,	152 45	
Edna M. Young,	711 77	
		1,182 57
		$2,609 28

Salaries of Officers and Employees.

Chas. E. Woodbury, executive officer *pro tem.*,	$1,000 00	
Owen Copp, executive officer,	1,486 11	
Lowell F. Wentworth, deputy executive officer,	1,482 14	
Sarah Chapman, stenographer,	600 00	
Sarah L. Powers, clerk,	525 00	
Henry J. Jenner, clerk,	450 00	
Katie G. Stetson, clerk,	98 39	
Edna M. Young, visitor,	517 47	
Fred A. Hewey, transportation officer,	544 36	
Alden B. Johnson, transportation officer,	135 48	
Ella Heal, transportation officer,	450 00	
		$7,288 95

Transportation and Medical Examination.

Travel of officers: —		
Ella Heal,	$342 36	
Fred A. Hewey,	442 66	
Alden B. Johnson,	168 09	
Lowell F. Wentworth,	7 44	
Edna M. Young,	34 91	
		$995 46
Foreign fares, patients,	$1,962 28	
Inland fares, patients,	602 62	
Carriage and express, patients,	175 16	
Food and lodging, patients,	72 53	
Assistance,	411 96	
Telegram and telephone,	1 39	
Postage,	1 83	
Miscellaneous,	4 05	
		3,231 82
Medical examination,		44 50
		$4,271 78

Support of Insane Boarded Out in Families.

Board,	$3,565 68	
Medical attendance,	77 45	
Medicine,	14 84	
Clothing,	31 34	
Extra care,	57 00	
Burial expenses,	23 00	
		$3,769 31
Travelling expenses, visitor,	$33 56	
Railway fares, patients,	8 60	
Carriage and express, patients,	3 26	
Assistance,	6 83	
Postage,	4 16	
		56 41
		$3,825 72

Total expenses of the Board for the year ending Sept. 30, 1899, are as follows: —

Travelling and office expenses,	$3,905 58
Salaries of officers and employees,	8,954 25
Transportation and medical examination of State paupers,	4,271 78
Support of insane paupers boarded out in families,*	3,848 26
	$20,979 87

* Support for nine months only.

Estimates for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1900.

	Appropriations, 1898.	Expenses, 1898.	Appropriations, 1899.	Estimates, 1900.
General appropriation, ...	$5,000 00	$2,984 14	-	-
Travelling and office expenses, . .	-	-	$5,000 00	$5,000 00
Salaries of officers and employees,* .	-	-	12,300 00	12,900 00
Transportation and medical examination of insane paupers.	-	-	12,000 00	12,000 00
Support of insane boarded out in families,†	-	-	5,500 00	7,000 00
	$5,000 00	$2,984 14	$34,800 00	$36,900 00

* The increase of $600 in the amount of this appropriation is called for by the need of employing one additional woman clerk.

† During the past year 28 State patients have been boarded, at the rate of $3.25 per week, in addition to a small expenditure for clothing, medical attendance, etc.; the total cost has been about $4,900. It is estimated that 40 patients can be supported during the coming year for the $7,000 asked for.

Finances of the Institutions.

Tabulated Statement of the Receipts and Expenses of the State Insane Hospitals.

	Worcester Insane Hospital.	Taunton Insane Hospital.	Northampton Insane Hospital.	Danvers Insane Hospital.	Westborough Insane Hospital.
Cash on hand Oct. 1, 1898,	$25,314 33	$21,358 74	$1,252 40	$15,979 38	$7,549 51
Receipts.					
State patients,	41,170 72	34,179 47	10,866 61	32,220 11	27,976 57
Town patients,	86,307 93	92,176 98	68,947 02	104,714 41	58,184 76
Private patients,	48,765 20	16,454 74	22,028 35	28,453 43	35,481 85
Sales, etc.,	13,356 21	3,854 13	4,528 14	6,777 99	182 95
Totals,	$214,914 39	$168,024 06	$107,622 52	$188,145 32	$129,375 64
Expenses.					
Salaries, wages and labor,	$63,921 96	$53,974 90	$37,922 50	$70,354 14	$51,136 88
Provisions and supplies,	51,962 13	43,543 14	24,253 31	45,562 80	32,184 52
Clothing,	8,046 94	4,491 23	3,637 53	5,712 35	2,661 86
Fuel and lights,	14,055 63	10,115 68	8,820 87	7,614 27	11,118 71
Medicine and medical supplies,	2,193 67	1,871 61	1,136 39	1,484 72	714 32
Furnishings,	8,702 97	5,970 77	5,481 56	4,913 02	4,903 91
Grain and feed for stock,	5,414 42	3,730 70	3,869 38	5,538 70	4,122 15
Transportation,	428 98	444 41	791 19	2,873 09	3,601 25
Ordinary repairs and construction,	9,724 24	7,723 27	1,983 59	7,357 52	6,384 58
Extraordinary repairs and construction,	32,468 98	15,964 04	5,592 78	-	2,492 51
All other expenses,	12,207 28	10,528 63	10,957 06	20,889 79	5,265 82
Cash on hand Sept. 30, 1899,	5,787 19	9,665 68	3,176 36	15,844 92	4,789 13
Totals,	$214,914 39	$168,024 06	$107,622 52	$188,145 32	$129,375 64
Total resources,	$52,663 76	$49,681 14	$31,013 03	$59,004 96	$31,264 39
Total liabilities,	16,033 05	22,056 78	10,268 64	22,113 33	14,509 53
Balance in favor of hospital,	$36,630 71	$27,624 36	$20,744 39	$36,891 63	$16,754 86
Average weekly cost per capita,	$3 56	$3 28	$3 26	$3 45	$3 81

Tabulated Statement of the Receipts and Expenses of the State Insane Asylums.

	Worcester Insane Asylum.	Medfield Insane Asylum.	State Almshouse.	State Farm.
Cash on hand Oct. 1, 1898,	$8,906 62	$20,728 42	-	-
Receipts.				
State patients,	21,122 52	49,398 43	$207,595 37*	$191,624 88*
Town patients,	50,901 42	115,907 54	-	-
Private patients,	-	292 00	-	-
Sales, etc.,	889 96	3,399 62	1,378 70	4,058 20
Totals,	$81,820 52	$189,726 01	$208,974 07	$195,683 08
Expenses.				
Salaries, wages and labor,	$23,753 84	$64,086 75	$39,147 12	$39,860 54
Provisions and supplies,	20,028 69	38,662 09	48,761 18	38,918 62
Clothing,	4,914 44	13,154 34	13,745 09	10,308 78
Fuel and lights,	5,043 99	15,805 22	16,775 95	9,919 76
Medicines and medical supplies,	257 24	1,281 58	10,358 57	2,157 71
Furnishings,	593 36	2,541 21	3,026 73	2,900 76
Grain and feed for stock,	190 54	7,459 21	4,103 77	3,754 07
Transportation,	258 35	1,587 36	7,173 37	2,470 70
Ordinary repairs and construction,	7,863 80	5,734 17	12,330 80	9,922 38
Extraordinary repairs and construction,	1,931 06	18,636 32	41,823 37	55,231 02
All other expenses,	4,665 28	18,610 59	10,349 42	16,180 54
Cash on hand Sept. 30, 1899,	12,319 93	2,167 17	1,378 70†	4,058 20†
Totals,	$81,820 52	$189,726 01	$208,974 07	$195,683 08
Total resources,	$32,204 48	$65,432 87	$102,143 07	$38,955 67
Total liabilities,	7,601 50	14,483 87	-	-
Balance in favor of hospital,	$24,602 98	$50,949 00	$102,143 07	$38,955 67
Average weekly cost per capita,	$2 98	$3 09	$2 36	$2 10

* From State treasury. † Paid into State treasury.

Tabulated Statement of the Receipts and Expenses of Other State and Partly State Institutions.

	Hospital for Dipsomaniacs.	Hospital for Epileptics.	School for the Feeble-minded.	Hospital Cottages for Children.
Cash on hand Oct. 1, 1898,	$2,262 63	$1,824 37	$2,020 72	$155 29
Receipts.				
State patients,	23,956 26	42,350 11	47,436 00	3,496 39
Town patients,	13,389 37	20,825 25	39,043 61	5,931 57
Private patients,	2,599 93	2,042 21	14,507 87	13,315 66
Sales, etc.,	11,720 16	1,326 15	13,088 72	5,661 25
Totals,	$53,928 35*	$68,368 09	$116,096 92	$28,560 16
Expenses.				
Salaries, wages and labor,	$18,737 80	$22,162 94	$39,285 86	$10,049 71
Provisions and supplies,	11,233 68	10,103 37	24,354 25	5,961 77
Clothing,	2,365 00	1,525 62	6,233 83	425 99
Fuel and lights,	2,330 72	3,563 69	5,347 74	2,932 31
Medicines and medical supplies,	-	787 71	633 37	376 53
Furnishings,	-	593 71	2,605 64	988 46
Grain and feed for stock,	-	1,755 30	3,413 35	-
Transportation,	-	610 68	280 55	-
Ordinary repairs and construction,	1,111 84	1,776 69	9,807 37	948 41
Extraordinary repairs and construction,	7,649 97	5,872 67	-	-
All other expenses,	7,907 87	8,234 63	24,014 28	3,822 02
Cash on hand Sept. 30, 1899,	2,591 47	11,381 08	120 63	3,054 96
Totals,	$53,928 35*	$68,368 09	$116,096 92	$28,560 16
Total resources,	$28,119 96	$21,478 18	$13,781 76	$7,915 79
Total liabilities,	6,368 60	2,805 67	71 10	1,865 60
Balance in favor of hospital,	$21,751 36*	$18,672 51	$13,710 66	$6,050 19
Average weekly cost per capita,	$5 30	$4 50	$3 22	$4 02

* Taken from cash account.

Estimates for Special Appropriations for the State Institutions.

The Board is required to present in its annual report "a properly classified and tabulated statement" of the estimates for special appropriations for the ensuing year by the several State institutions under its supervision, and to express "its opinion as to the necessity or expediency of appropriations in accordance" therewith.

In order that this may be done promptly, it is desirable that the trustees of such institutions should give in their annual reports a concise and definite description of such special needs, the reasons upon which they base their petition to the Legislature, and such other data as will enable the Board to form an intelligent opinion as to the fairness of their estimates of the necessary expenditure. These estimates may be such as the superintendent, with the aid of any good mechanic, can make.

The intention not to ask this year for special appropriations for any purpose has been expressed by the authorities of the Westborough and Taunton insane hospitals, of the Worcester and Medfield insane asylums and of the Hospital for Dipsomaniacs and Inebriates.

The Board has made careful investigation of the various matters in this connection which have been laid before it. In view of the present high and increasing cost of building, it has seemed best to approve of provision for immediate needs only. The Board believes that plain and simple, but durable, construction should be insisted upon, and that one main project is sufficient for any institution to undertake in one year.

Tabulated Statement of Estimates for Special Appropriations by State Institutions.

Institutions.	Purpose.	Opinion of the Board as to their Necessity or Expediency.	Estimates by Trustees.	Amounts approved by the Board.
Danvers Insane Hospital, . . .	Completion of boiler and electric plants.	Owing to the increased cost of metal work, this appropriation is needed to complete these plants.	$13,500	$13,500
	Renewal of plumbing in front and rear centre buildings and ward dormitories, including new sinks in small ward dining rooms.	This plumbing needs renewal, and should receive immediate attention.	5,000	5,000
	Slate work in congregate dining room and four toilet rooms.	Slate would be more cleanly and durable and should be put in.	1,200	1,200
	New greenhouse.	A commonplace greenhouse is approved, but a smaller sum should be expended for this purpose.	3,500	2,000
	Addition to night watch clock.	Such expenses should be met out of current income.	500	Not approved.
Worcester Insane Hospital, . . .	Completion of chapel wing extension and necessary changes in old building.	The original appropriation for this work having been made prior to the existence of this Board, the work was begun and has been carried on to its present stage without any supervision or direction on the part of this Board. The work should be completed assoon as possible.	$40,000	$40,000
	Nurses' home.	Although we approve of suitable provision for nurses, we believe this work should be postponed, since one main project is enough to undertake in one year.	40,000	Not approved.
Northampton Insane Hospital, . .	Storage barn and cow stable.	There is not sufficient room for the storage of farm products. The cows are kept in a basement, which cannot be properly ventilated and is also too small. This state of things should be remedied at once.	$20,000	$18,000

Tabulated Statement of Estimates for Special Appropriations by State Institutions — Concluded.

Institutions.	Purpose.	Opinion of the Board as to their Necessity or Expediency.	Estimates by Trustees.	Amounts approved by the Board.
Northampton Insane Hospital, . .	Infirmary building.	We approve of special provision for the sick and feeble, but believe this should be postponed, since one main project is enough to undertake in one year.	$43,000	Not approved.
School for the Feeble-minded, . .	Provision for two hundred inmates at the farm near Baldwinville in the town of Templeton.	It is intended to provide for feeble-minded inmates who are able to work and become partially self-supporting. We believe that such provision is urgently needed.	$50,000	$50,000
Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics, .	New boiler house and new boilers.	The present boiler house is too small for the increased capacity of the hospital. The boilers are old and worn out. We believe this expenditure is necessary.	$25,000	$25,000
	Stone quarry.	This is needed for the employment of patients and for building stone. We approve of its purchase.	450	450
Asylum Wards, State Almshouse, .	New building for one hundred insane men.	Greater means of classifying their insane men is urgently needed. These additional patients could be employed upon the farm with benefit to themselves and to the institution. We approve of this addition, but believe the cost should not exceed $50,000.	$60,000	$50,000
Asylum for Insane Criminals, . .	A wall built of stone and brick for enclosing about sixteen acres of land.	It is proposed to enclose with this wall a small farm for the employment of insane men who without this safeguard would be likely to escape. This would net a good income from the investment, and also be of the greatest benefit to the patients. We approve of the expenditure.	$20,000	$20,000

General Statistics relating to the Insane.

Number and Location of Insane.

LOCATION.	Number Sept. 30, 1898.			Number of Persons within the Year.	Average Number for the Year.	Number Sept. 30, 1899.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.			Males.	Females.	Total.
In State institutions: —								
Worcester Insane Hospital,	378	496	874	1,402	913.52	413	552	965
Worcester Insane Asylum,	206	213	419	493	433.81	216	245	461
Taunton Insane Hospital,	401	405	806	1,199	833.67	436	417	853
Northampton Insane Hospital,	283	280	563	772	563.32	295	295	590
Danvers Insane Hospital,	416	474	890	1,325	925.00	474	503	977
Westborough Insane Hospital,	232	352	584	920	615.99	271	378	649
Medfield Insane Asylum,	424	577	1,001	1,175	1,031.04	501	587	1,088
Hospital for Epileptics,	82	89	171	195	154.70	67	71	138
Asylum Wards, State Almshouse,	103	349	452	570	464.34	122	373	495
Asylum for Insane Criminals, State Farm,	300	-	300	374	316.50	331	-	331
Aggregate,	2,825	3,235	6,060	8,425	6,251.89	3,126	3,421	6,547
Less duplications and transfers,	-	-	-	141	-	-	-	-
Total for State institutions,	2,825	3,235	6,060	8,284	6,251.89	3,126	3,421	6,547
In municipal institutions: —								
Boston Insane Hospital,	323	244	567	898	521.05	257	250	507
In private institutions: —								
McLean Hospital, Waverley,	73	91	164	284	154.54	80	91	171
Herbert Hall, Worcester,	-	13	13	21	12.00	-	11	11
The Highlands, Winchendon,	7	3	10	21	9.60	4	4	8
Private Asylum, Brookline,	-	10	10	10	9.00	-	8	8
Bournewood, Brookline,	2	5	7	14	9.90	5	7	12
Riverview, Baldwinville,	1	4	5	5	4.00	1	3	4

Number and Location of Insane — Concluded.

LOCATION.	Number Sept. 30, 1898.			Number of Persons within the Year.	Average Number for the Year.	Number Sept. 30, 1899.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.			Males.	Females.	Total.
In private institutions — *concluded.*								
Private Asylum, Norwood,	1	4	5	8	4.27	1	4	5
The Newton Nervine,	2	12	14	30	12.09	4	7	11
The Wellesley Nervine,	-	2	2	5	1.35	-	1	1
Locust Grove Asylum, Sandwich,	-	3	3	3	3.00	-	2	2
Cutter Retreat, Pepperell,	-	1	1	3	1.97	1	1	2
Sanatorium, Arlington Heights,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Framingham Nervine,	-	3	3	6	2.00	-	2	2
Laurelwood, Newton,	1	-	1	1	1.00	-	-	-
Aggregate,	87	151	238	411	224.72	96	141	237
Less duplications and transfers,	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-
Total for private institutions,	87	151	238	403	224.72	96	141	237
At board in private families (in care of the Board of Insanity),	20	92	112	118	106.52	17	79	96
Others in care of overseers of the poor: —								
In town almshouses,	366	508	874	1,101	849.90	346	491	837
In private families,	9	44	53	65	56.60	17	41	58
Aggregate,	375	552	927	1,166	906.50	363	532	895
Summary: —								
Under direct medical supervision,	3,255	3,722	6,977	9,491	7,104.18	3,496	3,891	7,387
In care of overseers of the poor,	375	552	927	1,166	906.50	363	532	895
Aggregate,	3,630	4,274	7,904	10,657	8,010.68	3,859	4,423	8,282
Less duplications and transfers,	-	-	-	28	-	-	-	-
Total under supervision,	3,630	4,274	7,904	10,629	8,010.68	3,859	4,423	8,282

Summary of Insane under State Supervision, Sept. 30, 1899.

	Sex.		Total.	Support.		
					Public.	
	Males.	Females.		Private.	State.	Town.
In State hospitals and asylums,	3,126	3,421	6,547	541	1,769	4,237
In municipal hospitals,	257	250	507	89	-	418
In private hospitals,	96	141	237	237	-	-
Boarded in families under —						
State control,	17	79	96	13	26	57
Town control,	17	41	58	-	-	58
In town almshouses,	346	491	837	-	-	837
Total,	3,859	4,423	8,282	880	1,795	5,607

Admissions, Discharges, Forms of Commitment, Numbers under Treatment and remaining in Public and Private Hospitals and Asylums for the Insane at the Beginning and Close of the Year ending Sept. 30, 1899.

	Public Hospitals and Asylums.			Private Institutions.			Aggregate.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Number Sept. 30, 1898,	3,221	3,570	6,791	14	60	74	3,235	3,630	6,865
Admissions of the year, — whole number,	1,498	1,397	2,895	19	34	53	1,517	1,431	2,948
Viz.: — Committed by the courts,	1,172	1,096	2,268	6	15	21	1,178	1,111	2,289
Sent by Governor's order,	22	8	30	-	-	-	22	8	30
Committed by Board of Insanity,	65	57	122	-	-	-	65	57	122
Voluntary admissions,	45	63	108	13	16	29	58	79	137
Emergency cases,	18	12	30	-	-	-	18	12	30
Transferred from other hospitals,	176	161	337	-	3	3	176	164	340
Whole number of cases treated,	4,719	4,967	9,686	33	94	127	4,752	5,061	9,813
Whole number of persons treated,	4,507	4,822	9,329	33	90	123	4,540	4,908	9,448
Discharges, — whole number,	1,257*	1,190	2,447*	17	44	61	1,274*	1,234	2,508*
Viz.: — Recovered,	252	210	462	2	14	16	254	224	478
Much improved,	127	151	278	2	6	8	129	157	286
Improved,	134	167	301	5	7	12	139	174	313
Not improved,	335	306	641	7	11	18	342	317	659
Not insane,	26	24	50	-	-	-	26	24	50
Died,	382	332	714	1	6	7	383	338	721
Number Sept. 30, 1899,	3,463	3,762	7,225	16	50	66	3,479	3,812	7,291

* One discharged not epileptic.

City and Town Almshouses.

Two hundred and twelve cities and towns maintain almshouses; one hundred and forty-one do not.

According to the reports of visitors (who are not physicians) of this Board, there were, at the time of their visits, in almshouses and in private families, in care of overseers of the poor, 935 insane, 480 feeble-minded, 12 sane epileptics, 13 insane epileptics and 38 epileptic idiots; total, 1,478.

The average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all classes of inmates of almshouses for the last five years has been $2,415, exclusive of interest on almshouse property, receipts from labor, sales of produce and board of individuals, and of expenditure for services and expenses of overseers of poor.

The following tabulation gives information as to the buildings, the care of the insane and feeble-minded, classes of inmates and the average weekly per capita cost of maintenance for the last five years: —

Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, tabulated from the Reports of Official Visits by Agents of the State Board of Insanity.

	Acton.	Adams.	Agawam.	Amesbury.	Amherst.	Andover.
Date of visit,	Aug. 19, 1899.	May 19, 1899.	Sept. 14, 1899.	March 16, 1899.	Sept. 25, 1899.	Nov. 16, 1898.
I. Buildings:—						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	brick.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two.	two.	two and one-half.	two.	three.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	iron.
Method of heating,	stoves.	steam.	stoves.	stoves.	furnace.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	transoms.	transoms.
Water-closets,	attached.	inside.	detached.	attached.	attached.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	no bath-tub.	good.	no bath-tub.	no bath-tub.	no bath-tub.	good.
Condition,	fair.	good.	fair.	poor.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	bad.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	spring.	spring.	well.	spring.	well.	mains.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	poor.	fair.	fairly good.	good.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	four.	two.	one.	three.	five.
Separation of sexes,	none.	partial.*	none.	partial.*	partial.*	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	one.	one.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	1	-	1	6	5	11	2	1	3	9	1	10	1	2	3	5	4	9
Insane,†	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	-	1	1	3	4	-	1	1	4	3	7
Feeble minded,†	1	1	2	1	1	2	-	-	-	2	3	5	-	-	-	3	8	11
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	2	2	4	7	7	14	3	1	4	12	7	19	1	3	4	12	15	27
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	detached building.			detached building.			none.			none.			none.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899 ‡	$2.91			$3.52			$3.60			$2.04+			$2.71			$2.36+		

* Complete except at meals. † Exclusive of epileptics.

‡ As computed from data furnished by overseers of the poor in their annual returns on March 31 to the State Board of Charity.

Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Continued.

	Arlington.	Ashby.	Ashburnham.	Ashfield.	Ashland.	Athol.
Date of visit,	Feb. 7, 1899.	Jan. 18, 1899.	July 27, 1899.	May 16, 1899.	Feb. 1, 1899.	Jan. 3, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	one and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	iron.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	hot water.	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.	furnace.	furnace.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	transoms.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	inside.	attached.	attached.	attached.	detached.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	good.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	poor.
Condition,	good.	fair.	fair.	good.	fair.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	spring.	spring.	spring.	spring.	spring.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	good.	fair.	fair.	good.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	four.	three.	two.	two.	three.	two.
Separation of sexes,	none.	none.	partial.	none.	none.	partial.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	unsatisfactory.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	irregular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	5	-	5	3	1	4	3	5	8	1	-	1	2	-	2	6	1	7
Insane,*	1	-	1	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	3	3
Feeble-minded,*	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	2	3	-	1	1	2	1	3	-	-	-
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Totals,	6	1	7	3	4	7	4	7	11	1	1	2	5	1	6	6	5	11
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	in shed.			none.			none.			in house.			none.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$5.70			$2.42			$1.69			$6.71			$2.75			$2.47		

* Exclusive of epileptics.

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Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Continued.

	Attleborough.	Ayer.	Barnstable.	Barre.	Bedford.	Belchertown.
Date of visit,	Nov. 21, 1898.	Jan. 17, 1899.	Sept. 19, 1899.	Oct. 3, 1899.	Nov. 18, 1898.	Sept. 25, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	one and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.	steam.	stoves.	stoves.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	detached.	attached.	detached.	attached.	inside.	attached.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	good.	fair.	good.	no bath tub.	fair.
Condition,	poor.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	mains.	well.	well.	well.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	good.	good.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	four.	three.	two.	three.	three.	four.
Separation of sexes,	none.	none.	partial.	complete.	none.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	3	-	3	2	-	2	2	1	3	1	1	2	4	1	5	3	1	4
Insane,*	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	2	2
Feeble-minded,*	2	-	2	2	-	2	1	6	7	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	-	-
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	5	-	5	5	-	5	3	8	11	2	1	3	6	3	9	3	3	6
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none			in house.			none.			detached.			detached.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$3.91+			$2.70			$2.82			$4.81+			$2.45+			$1.68+		

* Exclusive of epileptics.

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Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Continued.

	Bellingham.	Beverly.	Billerica.	Blackstone.	Bolton.	Boston (Long Island).
Date of visit,	Sept. 21, 1899.	Dec. 7, 1898.	April 10, 1899.	Sept. 21, 1899.	April 20, 1899.	Oct. 26, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	chiefly brick.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	three.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	three.
Fire-escapes,	none.	iron.	none.	iron.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	stoves.	steam.	stoves.	steam.	steam and stoves.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	flues.	windows and doors.	transoms.	windows and doors.	flues.
Water-closets,	detached.	inside.	attached.	inside.	attached.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	poor.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	poor.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	poor.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	bad.	good.
Water supply,	well.	mains.	well.	well.	well (poor).	mains.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fairly good.	fair.	fair.	fair.	good.
Whole number of paid employees,	three.	four.	four.	two.	two.	seventy-three.
Separation of sexes,	none.	complete.	partial.*	partial.*	partial.	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	one.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	regular.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	-	2	2	9	1	10	2	1	3	15	9	24	-	1	1	270	327	597
Insane,†	1	3	4	5	1	6	2	1	3	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Feeble-minded,†	-	1	1	6	8	14	-	1	1	-	-	-	3	-	3	5	5	10
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	3
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	1	6	7	21	11	32	4	3	7	16	9	25	3	2	5	277	333	610
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			detached.			none.			detached.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$2.70+			$2.24			$2.36			$2.03+			$2.98			$1.99§		

* Complete except at meals. † Exclusive of epileptics.

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§ Long Island and Charlestown.

Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Continued.

	Boxford.	Boylston.	Braintree.	Brewster.	Bridgewater.	Brimfield.
Date of visit,	Jan. 12, 1899. Jan. 24, 1899.	Oct. 6, 1899.	Nov. 15, 1898.	Sept. 18, 1899.	Jan. 27, 1899.	Sept. 14, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	wood.	none.
Method of heating,	hot water.	stoves.	steam.	stoves.	furnace.	furnace and stoves.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	transoms.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	inside.	attached.	inside.	detached.	detached.	attached.
Bathing facilities,	good.	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	poor.	fair.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	well.	mains.	well.	well.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	fair.	fairly good.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	three.	four.	one.	two.	two.
Separation of sexes,	none.	none.	partial.*	none.	none.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	-	-	-	1	-	1	4	1	5	1	-	1	5	3	8	2	-	2
Insane,†	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	2	-	1	1	1	3	4	-	-	-
Feeble-minded,†	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Totals,	1	-	1	2	-	2	6	3	9	2	1	3	6	7	13	2	1	3
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	in shed.			attic and shed.			basement.			detached.			shed and detached.			in house.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$3.06			$2.22+			$3.21+			$2.02			$1.95			$1.82+		

* Complete except at meals.

† Exclusive of epileptics.

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Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Continued.

	Brockton.	Brookfield.	Buckland.	Burlington.	Cambridge.	Canton.
Date of visit,	Jan. 27, 1899.	March 30, 1899.	May 18, 1899.	April 21, 1899.	Feb. 7, 1899.	Oct. 23, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	stone.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	one and one-half.	two.	three.	two.
Fire-escapes,	iron.	wood.	none.	none.	none.	iron.
Method of heating,	steam.	hot water.	stoves.	stoves.	steam.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	flues.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	flues.
Water-closets,	inside.	inside.	attached.	attached.	inside.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	good.	good.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	good.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	poor.*	fair.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	mains.	well.	spring.	well.	mains.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	good.	fair.	fair.	fair.	good.	fairly good.
Whole number of paid employees,	seven.	four.	two.	two.	twenty-two.	two.
Separation of sexes,	partial.†	none.	none.	none.	complete.	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	regular.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	15	4	19	1	2	3	4	-	4	4	-	4	76	39	115	3	5	8
Insane,‡	5	7	12	-	1	1	2	1	3	-	-	-	4	9	13	2	1	3
Feeble-minded,‡	3	3	6	1	2	3	-	1	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	-	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-
Totals,	23	14	37	2	5	7	6	2	8	5	1	6	81	50	131	6	6	12
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			none.			detached.			none.			detached.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.§	$1.85			$3.65+			$1.26+			$5.18			$2.35+			$3.43+		

* A new house has been built. † Complete except at meals. ‡ Exclusive of epileptics.

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Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Continued.

	Carlisle.	Carver.	Charlton.	Chatham.	Chelmsford.	Chicopee.
Date of visit,	April 21, 1899.	June 12, 1899.	Oct. 6, 1899.	Sept. 18, 1899.	April 10, 1899.	Sept. 13, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	one and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	three.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	iron.	iron.
Method of heating,	stoves.	stoves.	steam.	furnace.	stoves.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	transoms.
Water-closets,	attached.	detached.	inside.	detached.	inside.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	well.	spring.	well.	well.	mains.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fairly good.	fairly good.	fair.	fair.	poor.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	one.	four.	two.	four.	eight.
Separation of sexes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	unsatisfactory.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	-	-	-	2	1	3	6	1	7	-	3	3	2	1	3	19	13	32
Insane,*	1	1	2	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	-	1	2	-	2	5	4	9
Feeble-minded,*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Totals,	1	1	2	2	2	4	6	2	8	1	4	5	5	1	6	25	17	42
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	detached.			none.			detached.			in house.			detached.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$3.10			$1.66			$2.31			$2.67			$2.52			$2.67		

* Exclusive of epileptics.

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Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Continued.

	Clinton.	Cohasset.	Conway.	Dana.	Dartmouth.	Dedham.
Date of visit,	April 12, 1899.	May 11, 1899.	Sept. 11, 1899.	Oct. 4, 1899.	Aug. 23, 1899.	March 27, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	one and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	iron.	wood.	none.	none.	none.	wood.
Method of heating,	steam.	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.	steam.	hot water.
Means of ventilation,	transoms.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	inside.	detached.	attached.	detached.	detached.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	good	poor.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	good.
Condition,	good.	poor.	fair.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	bad.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	mains.	well.	well.	spring.	well.	mains.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fairly good.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	good.
Whole number of paid employees,	three.	four.	two.	two.	four.	two.
Separation of sexes,	partial.*	none.	none.	none.	complete.	partial.*
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	8	9	17	6	1	7	1	1	2	-	-	-	4	1	5	4	2	6
Insane,†	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feeble-minded,†	-	1	1	1	1	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	2
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	8	10	18	8	2	10	3	1	4	-	1	1	5	1	6	4	4	8
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	basement.			detached.			detached.			attic.			detached.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$4.16			$4.84			$3.09			$4.85			$3.38+			$4.53+		

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	Deerfield.	Dennis.	Douglas.	Dracut.	Dudley.	Duxbury.
Date of visit,	Sept. 28, 1899.	Sept. 19, 1899.	Sept. 22, 1899.	Nov. 22, 1898.	Oct. 2, 1899.	May 12, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	iron.
Method of heating,	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.	steam.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	transoms.
Water-closets,	detached.	detached.	attached.	detached.	attached.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	no bath-tub.	no bath-tub.	no bath-tub.	no bath-tub.	good.	good.
Condition,	poor.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	fair.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	spring.	well.	well.	well.	spring.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fairly good.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	two.	four.	four.	two.	two.
Separation of sexes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	-	-	-	2	-	2	1	2	3	2	1	3	3	2	5	2	5	7
Insane,*	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	1	1	3	1	4	1	-	1	-	-	-
Feeble-minded,*	-	-	-	2	1	3	1	-	1	2	-	2	1	-	1	1	-	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Totals,	-	1	1	5	1	6	2	3	5	7	2	9	6	2	8	3	5	8
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	detached.			in house.			none.			detached.			detached.			detached.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$2.56			$3.10			$2.17+			$3.62			$2.40+			$4.84+		

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	East Bridgewater.	Easthampton.	Easton.	Essex.	Fairhaven.	Fall River.
Date of visit,	Nov. 25, 1898.	May 15, 1899.	Jan. 18, 1899.	July 20, 1899.	Aug. 23, 1899.	May 26, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	brick.	wood.	stone.
Number of stories,	one and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	three.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	iron.
Method of heating,	furnace.	furnace.	steam.	stoves.	steam.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	transoms.	transoms.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	transoms.
Water-closets,	inside.	inside.	attached.	detached.	inside.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	good.	good.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	poor.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	poor.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	spring.	well.	well.	mains.	mains.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	fair.	poor.	good.	fairly good.
Whole number of paid employees,	three.	three.	three.	three.	two.	ten.
Separation of sexes,	complete.	partial.	partial.	none.	partial.*	partial.*
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	three.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	4	2	6	3	4	7	2	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	81
Insane,†	-	1	1	1	3	4	1	3	4	2	2	4	2	-	2	-	-	-
Feeble minded,†	2	2	4	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	10
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	6	5	11	4	9	13	4	3	7	3	4	7	4	-	4	-	-	91
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			detached.			detached.			none.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$2.49			$1.73+			$2.72			$1.01+			$3.88			$2.34+		

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	Falmouth.	Fitchburg.	Foxborough.	Franklin.	Freetown.	Gardner.
Date of visit,	Sept. 19, 1899.	March 28, 1899.	Jan. 26, 1899.	May 9, 1899.	May 25, 1899.	July 28, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	brick.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	two.	one and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	wood.	none.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	furnace.	steam.	stoves.	steam.	stoves.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	attached.	inside.	attached.	inside.	detached.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	poor.	good.	fair.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	mains.	well.	well.	well.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fairly good.	good.	poor.	fair.	poor.	good.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	eleven.	three.	four.	two.	four.
Separation of sexes,	none.	complete.	none.	none.	none.	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	poor.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	fair.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	2	-	2	34	14	48	-	1	1	6	2	8	1	-	1	6	1	7
Insane,*	-	-	-	10	8	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Feeble-minded,*	1	3	4	4	3	7	-	1	1	1	1	2	1	3	4	1	1	2
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	3	3	6	48	25	73	-	2	2	7	3	10	2	3	5	7	4	11
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			none.			none.			detached.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$2.60			$2.28			$3.53			$5.65			$2.48+			$2.84		

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	Falmouth.	Fitchburg.	Foxborough.	Franklin.	Freetown.	Gardner.
Date of visit,	Sept. 19, 1899.	March 28, 1899.	Jan. 26, 1899.	May 9, 1899.	May 25, 1899.	July 28, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	brick.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	two.	one and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	wood.	none.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	furnace.	steam.	stoves.	steam.	stoves.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	attached.	inside.	attached.	inside.	detached.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	poor.	good.	fair.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	mains.	well.	well.	well.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fairly good.	good.	poor.	fair.	poor.	good.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	eleven.	three.	four.	two.	four.
Separation of sexes,	none.	complete.	none.	none.	none.	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	poor.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	fair.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	2	-	2	34	14	48	-	1	1	6	2	8	1	-	1	6	1	7
Insane,*	-	-	-	10	8	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Feeble-minded,*	1	3	4	4	3	7	-	1	1	1	1	2	1	3	4	1	1	2
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	3	3	6	48	25	73	-	2	2	7	3	10	2	3	5	7	4	11
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			none.			none.			detached.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$2.60			$2.28			$3.53			$5.65			$2.48+			$2.84		

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Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc.—Continued.

	Georgetown.	Gloucester.	Grafton.	Greenfield.	Greenwich.	Groton.
Date of visit,	April 3, 1899.	Dec. 12, 1898.	May 10, 1899.	Sept. 26, 1899.	Oct. 4, 1899.	Jan. 17, 1899.
I. Buildings:—						
Construction,	wood.	brick.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	three.	two and one-half.	two.	one and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	iron.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	hot water.	steam.	steam.	stoves.	furnace.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	transoms.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	detached.	inside.	attached.	detached.	detached.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	good.	good.	good.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	well.	spring.	mains.	spring.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	four.	five.	four.	four.	two.	three.
Separation of sexes,	partial.*	complete.	none.	none.	none.	partial.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	1	1	2	13	10	23	9	1	10	6	1	7	2	-	2	3	3	6
Insane,†	2	-	2	4	3	7	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	2	4
Feeble-minded,†	1	-	1	2	2	4	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	4	1	5	19	15	34	11	1	12	8	1	9	3	-	3	5	6	11
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	in shed.			none.			in ell.			none.			detached.			in house.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$2.11+			$1.95			$2.68			$2.02			$2.60+			$1.04		

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	Groveland.	Hadley.	Hanover.	Hanson.	Hardwick.	Harvard.
Date of visit,	April 3, 1899.	Sept. 26, 1899.	March 21, 1899.	March 21, 1899.	Oct. 3, 1899.	Oct. 5, 1899.
I. Buildings:—						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	stone and wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	furnace.	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	detached.	attached.	inside.	attached.	attached.	attached.
Bathing facilities,	good.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	poor.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	bad.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	well.	well.	well.	spring.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fairly good.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	three.	three.	two.	two.	four.	three.
Separation of sexes,	partial.*	none.	complete.	partial.	none.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	unsatisfactory.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	4	-	4	1	2	3	4	4	8	4	1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,†	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	2	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Feeble-minded,†	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	2	-	2	2
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	5	-	5	2	4	6	4	6	10	5	1	6	2	1	3	-	-	2
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	detached.			in shed.			detached.			detached.			in shed.			attic.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$3.44			$1.98+			$2.90+			$3.21+			$2.95+			$3.12+		

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	Harwich.	Haverhill.	Hawley.	Hingham.	Holden.	Holliston.
Date of visit,	Sept. 19, 1899.	March 15, 1899.	May 17, 1899.	May 11, 1899.	Nov. 8, 1899.	March 2, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	brick.	wood.	brick.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	one and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	iron.	none.	none.	wood.	none.
Method of heating,	stoves.	steam.	stoves.	steam.	furnace.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	flues.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	detached.	inside.	detached.	inside.	attached.	attached.
Bathing facilities,	good.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	poor.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	mains.	spring.	well.	spring.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	good.	good.	fair.	fairly good.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	eight.	two.	four.	three.	two.
Separation of sexes,	complete.	complete.	partial.	partial.*	none.	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	one.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	one.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	2	1	3	73	20	93	1	1	2	3	3	6	4	5	9	7	-	7
Insane,†	-	2	2	9	9	18	1	-	1	1	1	2	1	5	6	2	2	4
Feeble-minded,†	-	1	1	4	4	8	-	-	-	-	2	2	1	3	4	1	-	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	2	4	6	88	34	122	2	1	3	4	7	11	6	13	19	10	2	12
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	in house.			none.			attic.			detached.			none.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$1.96			$2.20			$1.77+			$4.26+			$1.89			$2.74		

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	Holyoke.	Hopkinton.	Hudson.	Ipswich.	Lancaster.	Lawrence.
Date of visit,	Sept. 13, 1899.	Feb. 1, 1899.	April 20, 1899.	May 23, 1899.	April 12, 1899.	June 16, 1899.
I. Buildings:—						
Construction,	brick.	wood.	wood.	brick.	brick.	brick.
Number of stories,	three.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	iron.	none.	none.	none.	none.	iron.
Method of heating,	furnace.	stoves.	steam.	furnace.	steam.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	flues.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	transoms.	flues.
Water-closets,	inside.	attached.	inside.	inside.	inside.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	good.	no bath tub.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	mains.	spring.	well.	well.	spring.	mains.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fairly good.	fair.	fairly good.	fairly good.	good.	good.
Whole number of paid employees,	eighteen.	four.	four.	six.	three.	eighteen.
Separation of sexes,	complete.	none.	complete.	partial.*	complete.	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	irregular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	regular.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	40	45	85	9	4	13	6	3	9	4	1	5	2	6	8	40	55	95
Insane,†	13	18	31	-	1	1	1	1	2	4	3	7	1	-	1	22	58	80
Feeble-minded,†	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	-	1	2	1	3	2	1	3	-	-	-
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Totals,	54	64	118	10	6	16	8	4	12	10	5	15	6	7	13	62	113	175
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			none.			none.			basement.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$1.96			$2.07			$5.81+			$2.73			$2.06			$1.71+		

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	Lee.	Leicester.	Leominster.	Littleton.	Lowell.	Lunenburg.
Date of visit,	June 21, 1899.	March 15, 1899.	March 28, 1899.	March 1, 1899.	Jan. 31, 1899.	Oct. 20, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	brick.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	three.	two.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	iron.	none.
Method of heating,	stoves.	steam.	hot water.	stoves.	steam.	stoves.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	flues.	transoms.
Water-closets,	detached.	inside.	inside.	attached.	inside.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	good.	good.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	good.
Condition,	poor.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	mains.	spring.	well.	well.	mains.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	fairly good.	fair.	fairly good.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	three.	two.	four.	two.	twenty-seven.	two.
Separation of sexes,	complete.	none.	complete.	none.	complete.	partial.*
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	three.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	regular.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	1	2	3	6	-	6	2	4	6	-	-	-	166	184	350	2	-	2
Insane,†	-	-	-	-	4	4	1	1	2	-	1	1	25	81	106	3	-	3
Feeble-minded,†	2	3	5	2	2	4	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	3	3	2	-	2
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	3	5	8	8	6	14	6	5	11	-	1	1	191	268	459	7	-	7
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	53	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			detached.			none.			detached.			none.			detached.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$4.16			$2.89			$3.92			$1.43			$1.84+			$3.18		

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	Lynn.	Malden.	Mansfield.	Marblehead.	Marlborough.	Marshfield.
Date of visit,	Feb. 28, 1899.	Jan. 11, 1899.	Jan. 26, 1899.	June 28, 1899.	April 24, 1899.	May 12, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	brick.	wood.	wood.	stone and wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	three.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	iron.	wood.	none.	none.	iron.	none.
Method of heating,	steam.	steam.	stoves.	hot water.	steam.	stoves.
Means of ventilation,	flues.	transoms.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	inside.	inside.	attached.	inside.	inside.	detached.
Bathing facilities,	good.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	good.	no bath tub.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	fair.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	mains.	mains.	well.	mains.	mains.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	good.	good.	fair.	fairly good.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	nine.	four.	two.	three.	four.	two.
Separation of sexes,	complete.	complete.	partial.	complete.	partial.*	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	one.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.
Medical attendance,	regular.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	53	33	86	17	13	30	2	3	5	9	4	13	20	9	29	4	-	4
Insane,†	4	1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	5	-	-	-
Feeble-minded,†	3	8	11	1	-	1	1	2	3	4	3	7	1	-	1	1	-	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	60	42	102	18	14	32	3	5	8	13	7	20	24	11	35	5	-	5
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			detached.			detached.			none.			detached.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$3.06+			$2.96			$5.01+			$2.80			$1.93+			$3.70		

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	Mattapoisett.	Medfield.	Medford.	Medway.	Melrose.	Middleborough.
Date of visit,	June 30, 1899.	March 28, 1899.	Jan. 11, 1899.	Nov. 28, 1899.	Aug. 1, 1899.	June 12, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	brick.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	three.	three.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	iron.	wood.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	stoves.	stoves.	steam.	steam.	hot water.	hot water.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	flues.	transoms.	windows and doors.	transoms.
Water-closets,	detached.	attached.	inside.	inside.	inside.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	good.	good.	fair.	good.
Condition,	fair.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	spring.	mains.	well.	mains.	mains.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	good.	good.	fairly good.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	two.	five.	two.	two.	three.
Separation of sexes,	none.	none.	complete.	complete.	none.	partial.*
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	irregular.	irregular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	1	2	3	-	-	-	10	7	17	6	4	10	1	2	3	3	8	11
Insane,†	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	2	3	-	3	-	-	-	1	3	4
Feeble-minded,†	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	2	1	-	1	1	1	2	3	2	5
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	2	3	5	-	1	1	12	9	21	10	4	14	2	3	5	7	13	20
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	attic.			detached.			none.			detached.			none.			detached.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$2.74			$6.84			$4.33			$1.82+			$3.06§			$2.47		

* Complete except at meals. † Exclusive of epileptics.

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§ Opened during 1896.

Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Continued.

	Milford.	Millbury.	Milton.	Monson.	Montague.	Nantucket.
Date of visit,	Nov. 21, 1898.	April 7, 1899.	May 24, 1899.	Sept. 14, 1899.	Sept. 27, 1899.	May 29, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.	two.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	wood.
Method of heating,	steam.	stoves.	hot water.	stoves.	stoves.	furnace.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	inside.	attached.	inside.	detached.	attached.	attached.
Bathing facilities,	fair.	no bath tub.	good.	fair.	fair.	no bath tub.
Condition,	good.	fair.	good.	good.	fair.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	spring.	well.	well.	spring.	spring.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fairly good.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	good.
Whole number of paid employees,	three.	four.	three.	four.	two.	three.
Separation of sexes,	partial.	partial.*	partial.*	partial.*	none.	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	one.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.	irregular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	21	10	31	2	-	2	5	2	7	5	3	8	5	1	6	6	10	16
Insane,†	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	1	3	1	1	2	3	2	5
Feeble-minded,†	-	1	1	-	2	2	2	1	3	1	2	3	-	1	1	-	3	3
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Totals,	22	12	34	2	2	4	8	3	11	9	6	15	6	4	10	9	16	25
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			none.			none.			detached.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$1.39			$2.32			$6.98+			$1.36+			$2.63+			$1.74		

* Complete except at meals. † Exclusive of epileptics.

‡ As computed from data furnished by overseers of the poor in their annual returns on March 31 to the State Board of Charity.

Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc.—Continued.

	Natick.	New Bedford.	Newburyport.	New Salem.	Newton.	North Adams.
Date of visit,	Dec. 12, 1898.	May 27, 1899.	Dec. 1, 1898.	Oct. 4, 1899.	Feb. 15, 1899.	May 19, 1899.
I. Buildings:—						
Construction,	wood.	stone.	brick.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two.	three.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	wood.	iron.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	steam.	steam.	steam.	stoves.	steam.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	transoms.	flues.	flues.	windows and doors.	transoms.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	inside.	detached.	inside.	attached.	inside.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	good.	good.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	defective.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	mains.	mains.	mains.	well.	mains.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	poor.	fairly good.	fair.	fair.	good.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	four.	ten.	three.	two.	two.	five.
Separation of sexes,	partial.*	complete.	complete.	none.	complete.	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	one.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	regular.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	17	3	20	34	19	53	16	16	32	-	-	-	8	5	13	18	10	28
Insane,†	1	2	3	9	5	14	6	3	9	-	1	1	-	4	4	-	2	2
Feeble-minded,†	-	1	1	3	5	8	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	18	6	24	46	29	75	27	20	47	-	1	1	8	9	17	18	13	31
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			none.			in house.			none.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$2.65			$3.21			$2.29+			$4.37+			$2.70			$2.54		

* Complete except at meals. † Exclusive of epileptics.

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Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Continued.

	Northampton.	North Andover.	North Attleborough.	Northborough.	Northbridge.	North Brookfield.
Date of visit,	May 15, 1899.	Nov. 16, 1898.	Nov. 21, 1898.	March 13, 1899.	Sept. 22, 1899.	March 30, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	brick.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	three.
Fire-escapes,	none.	iron.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	steam.	steam.	steam.	stoves.	stoves.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	transoms.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	transoms.
Water-closets,	inside.	inside.	inside.	attached.	inside.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	good.	good.	good.	no bath tub.	fair.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	mains.	well.	mains.	well.	well.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	good.	fair.	good.	fair.	fair.	fairly good.
Whole number of paid employees,	three.	four.	four.	three.	two.	four.
Separation of sexes,	complete.	partial.*	partial.*	none.	none.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	-	-	22	2	-	2	2	1	3	-	-	-	8	-	8	6	4	10
Insane,†	-	-	7	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	1	3
Feeble-minded,†	-	-	1	1	2	3	2	3	5	-	1	1	1	-	1	4	-	4
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	-	-	30	3	3	6	5	5	10	-	1	1	10	-	10	12	5	17
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			in shed.			detached.			none.			none.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$2.31			$4.56			$3.94			$5.47+			$2.02+			$3.29+		

* Complete except at meals. † Exclusive of epileptics.

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Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Continued.

	North Reading.	Norton.	Norwell.	Orange.	Oxford.	Palmer.
Date of visit,	Nov. 14, 1898.	March 9, 1899.	May 11, 1899.	Jan. 3, 1899.	Jan. 25, 1899.	Sept. 15, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	wood.	none.	none.	wood.
Method of heating,	stoves.	stoves.	furnace.	furnace.	furnace.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	transoms.
Water-closets,	detached.	attached.	detached.	attached.	attached.	attached.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	ne bath tub.	poor.	good.
Condition,	fair.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	fair.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	spring.	well.	well.	spring.	spring.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	two.	two.	two.	two.	five.
Separation of sexes,	none.	partial.	none.	partial.	partial.	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	-	3	3	1	2	3	-	1	1	1	1	2	5	1	6	15	3	18
Insane,*	-	1	1	2	-	2	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	-	1	2	2	4
Feeble-minded,*	-	1	1	-	1	1	2	-	2	-	1	1	4	2	6	1	1	2
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	-	5	5	3	3	6	2	3	5	1	3	4	11	3	14	18	6	24
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	detached.			detached.			cellar.			none.			detached.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$2.04			$3.58			$4.90			$3.48			$3.23+			$1.51		

* Exclusive of epileptics.

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	Peabody.	Pembroke.	Pepperell.	Petersham.	Pittsfield.	Plymouth.
Date of visit,	Jan. 23, 1899.	March 21, 1899.	March 20, 1899.	Oct. 4, 1899.	June 22, 1899.	May 12, 1899.
I. Buildings:—						
Construction,	brick.	wood.	wood.	wood.	brick and wood.	brick.
Number of stories,	three.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	one and one-half.	two.	two.
Fire-escapes,	iron.	none.	none.	none.	wood.	iron.
Method of heating,	furnace.	stoves.	steam.	stoves.	steam.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	transoms.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	transoms.	flues.
Water-closets,	inside.	detached.	attached.	attached.	inside.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	good.	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	mains.	well.	well.	well.	spring.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	good.	fair.	fair.	fair.	good.	good.
Whole number of paid employees,	six.	two.	two.	three.	seven.	four.
Separation of sexes,	complete.	partial.	partial.	none.	partial.*	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	22	10	32	1	-	1	2	-	2	-	-	-	19	9	28	3	1	4
Insane,†	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	2	-	2	6	9	15	2	1	3
Feeble-minded,†	7	2	9	3	-	3	1	1	2	-	-	-	7	-	7	-	1	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	1	1
Totals,	30	13	43	4	1	5	3	2	5	2	-	2	34	19	53	6	4	10
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			detached.			in attic.			in house.			none.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$2.64			$2.60+			$5.70+			$2.68			$2.33			$4.92		

* Complete except at meals. † Exclusive of epileptics.

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Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Continued.

	Provincetown.	Randolph.	Reading.	Rehoboth.	Rochester.	Rockland.
Date of visit,	July 24, 1899.	May 8, 1899.	Nov. 14, 1899.	June 7, 1899.	Aug. 25, 1899.	March 21, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	three.	two.	two and one-half.	one and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	iron.	none.	none.	none.	iron.
Method of heating,	stoves.	steam.	steam.	stoves.	stoves.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	transoms.	windows and doors.	transoms.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	attached.	inside.	inside.	detached.	detached.	attached.
Bathing facilities,	good.	good.	good.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	good.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	fair.	poor.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	bad.	bad.	good.
Water supply,	mains.	mains.	mains.	well.	well.	mains.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	good.	fair.	fairly good.	fair.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	one.	three.	three.	three.	two.	three.
Separation of sexes,	partial.	partial.*	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	irregular.	regular.	irregular.	irregular.	irregular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	1	-	1	7	1	8	4	-	4	-	5	5	-	1	1	9	2	11
Insane,†	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Feeble-minded,†	-	3	3	-	4	4	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	3
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	2	3	5	8	5	13	4	1	5	1	7	8	1	3	4	12	3	15
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			none.			detached.			detached.			detached.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$2.78			$3.33			$4.91+			$2.23			$2.42			$2.47		

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	Rockport.	Salem.	Sandwich.	Saugus.	Seekonk.	Sharon.
Date of visit,	Dec. 12, 1898.	Feb. 10, 1899.	Sept. 19, 1899.	Dec. 2, 1898.	June 7, 1899.	March 10, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	brick.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	three.	two.	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	iron.	wood.	none.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	furnace.	steam.	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	flues.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	detached.	inside.	detached.	detached.	detached.	detached.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.	poor.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.
Condition,	good.	good.	poor.	fair.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	mains.	mains.	well.	mains.	well.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	good.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	three.	sixteen.	two.	four.	four.	three.
Separation of sexes,	none.	complete.	partial.	complete.	none.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	irregular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.	irregular.	irregular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	-	1	1	36	33	69	-	-	-	2	1	3	2	1	3	1	1	2
Insane,*	1	1	2	27	20	47	4	3	7	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Feeble-minded,*	3	-	3	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	4	2	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	4	2	6	67	55	122	5	4	9	5	1	6	2	2	4	2	1	3
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			none.			none.			detached.			in shed.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$3.66			$2.30+			$2.01			$3.50			$1.98			$2.53		

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	Sherborn.	Shrewsbury.	Shutesbury.	Somerset.	Southbridge.	South Hadley.
Date of visit,	March 2, 1899.	May 31, 1899.	Sept. 25, 1899.	May 26, 1899.	Jan. 24, 1899.	Sept. 26, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two.	one and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	wood.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	steam.	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.	furnace.	furnace.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	inside.	attached.	attached.	detached.	attached.	detached.
Bathing facilities,	good.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	poor.	no bath tub.
Condition,	good.	poor.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	poor.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	spring.	well.	spring.	well.	spring.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	good.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	two.	two.	five.	four.	four.
Separation of sexes,	partial.*	none.	none.	none.	partial.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	irregular.	irregular.	irregular.	irregular.	irregular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	2	1	3	1	1	2	-	3	3	1	2	3	5	7	12	3	4	7
Insane,†	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	2	3	-	2	2	-	-	-
Feeble-minded,†	-	2	2	-	1	1	1	1	2	1	-	1	3	-	3	-	1	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	2	3	5	1	3	4	1	5	6	3	4	7	8	9	17	3	5	8
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	detached.			none.			in shed.			in cellar.			none.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$4.45+			$3.05+			$2.26			$1.16			$2.03+			$3.11+		

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	Spencer.	Springfield.	Sterling.	Stoneham.	Stoughton.	Stow.
Date of visit,	March 15, 1899.	April 6, 1899.	Oct. 6, 1899.	Nov. 22, 1898.	Sept. 12, 1899.	April 18, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	brick.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	three.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	iron.	none.	none.	wood.	none.
Method of heating,	steam.	steam.	furnace.	steam.	steam.	stoves.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	flues.	windows and doors.	transoms.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	inside.	inside.	attached.	inside.	inside.	attached.
Bathing facilities,	good.	good.	poor.	good.	good.	no bath tub.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	fair.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	mains.	well.	mains.	well.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	good.	fair.	good.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	four.	twenty-five.	four.	four.	three.	two.
Separation of sexes,	none.	complete.	none.	complete.	partial.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	one.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	two.	two.	none.	one.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	regular.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	8	2	10	41	85	126	3	1	4	-	3	3	7	1	8	-	2	2
Insane,*	-	2	2	42	52	94	1	1	2	6	2	8	2	2	4	-	1	1
Feeble-minded,*	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	2	-	1	1	-	1	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	10	6	16	83	137	220	5	2	7	9	5	14	9	4	13	-	4	4
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			none.			none.			none.			detached.			detached.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$3.58+			$2.76			$2.82+			$3.70			$5.32+			$3.43+		

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	Sturbridge.	Sudbury.	Sutton.	Swansea.	Taunton.	Tewksbury.
Date of visit,	Jan. 24, 1899.	April 21, 1899.	Jan. 6, 1899.	May 26, 1899.	Jan. 9, 1899.	April 27, 1899.
I. Buildings:—						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	brick.	wood.
Number of stories,	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	iron.	none.
Method of heating,	furnace.	stoves.	steam.	stoves.	hot water.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	transoms.	windows and doors.	transoms.	transoms.
Water-closets,	detached.	attached.	attached.	detached.	inside.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.	good.	good.
Condition,	fair.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	pond.	well.	well.	well.	mains.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	fairly good.	fairly good.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	two.	three.	three.	six.	four.
Separation of sexes,	none.	none.	partial.	none.	complete.	partial.*
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	three.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	irregular.	irregular.	irregular.	irregular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	1	2	3	1	-	1	1	4	5	3	2	5	23	12	35	-	-	-
Insane,†	1	1	2	1	-	1	1	4	5	-	-	-	2	3	5	-	-	-
Feeble-minded,†	-	2	2	3	1	4	5	1	6	-	2	2	2	1	3	3	1	4
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	2	5	7	5	1	6	7	9	16	3	4	7	27	16	43	3	1	4
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	detached.			detached.			in attic.			detached.			none.			detached.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$1.87			$2.62			$1.79+			$1.11+			$2.05			$1.89+		

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	Townsend.	Tyngsborough.	Uxbridge.	Wakefield.	Walpole.	Waltham.
Date of visit,	Jan. 18, 1899.	April 27, 1899.	Sept. 22, 1899.	May 1, 1899.	March 10, 1899.	March 24, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	brick.
Number of stories,	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	wood.	wood.	none.
Method of heating,	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.	steam.	stoves.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	flues.
Water-closets,	attached.	attached.	attached.	attached.	attached.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.	good.
Condition,	good.	poor.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	well.	spring.	well.	mains.	mains.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	poor.	poor.	fairly good.	fair.	good.
Whole number of paid employees,	three.	two.	two.	four.	two.	three.
Separation of sexes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	complete.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	irregular.	irregular.	irregular.	regular.	irregular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	regular.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	1	1	2	1	-	1	-	2	2	7	4	11	-	2	2	15	12	27
Insane,*	1	3	4	1	-	1	3	-	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	8	11	19
Feeble-minded,*	-	2	2	1	-	1	2	2	4	2	2	4	2	1	3	-	-	-
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	2	6	8	3	-	3	5	4	9	9	7	16	2	3	5	23	23	46
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	in shed.			in shed.			none.			none.			detached.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$1.75			$1.27+			$2.62			$3.43			$6.48			$1.54		

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	Ware.	Wareham.	Warren.	Warwick.	Watertown.	Wayland.
Date of visit,	Sept. 15, 1899.	June 30, 1899.	Sept. 15, 1899.	Sept. 28, 1899.	Jan. 30, 1899.	Nov. 29, 1898.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	iron.	none.
Method of heating,	stoves.	stoves.	steam.	stoves.	steam.	stoves.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	flues.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	attached.	attached.	attached.	attached.	inside.	inside.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	good.	good.
Condition,	fair.	good.	good.	poor.	good.	good.
Drainage,	fair.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	spring.	well.	spring.	spring.	mains.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	fair.	fair.	good.	fairly good.
Whole number of paid employees,	four.	two.	four.	two.	five.	three.
Separation of sexes,	none.	partial.	partial.*	none.	partial.*	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	irregular.	irregular.	irregular.	irregular.	regular.	regular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	4	1	5	4	1	5	5	-	5	2	2	4	5	4	9	2	1	3
Insane,†	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	1	1	2	1	4	5	1	-	1
Feeble-minded,†	3	1	4	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	8	2	10	5	3	8	6	3	9	4	3	7	6	8	14	3	1	4
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			detached.			in house.			none.			none.			detached.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$3.41			$3.53			$2.88+			$3.10+			$5.44			$4.47		

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	Webster.	Wellesley.	Westborough.	West Boylston.	West Bridgewater.	West Brookfield.
Date of visit,	Jan. 25, 1899.	Dec. 2, 1898.	Jan. 19, 1899.	Oct. 6, 1899.	Feb. 6, 1899.	March 30, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.	two.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	steam.	furnace.	steam.	stoves.	steam.	steam.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	inside.	inside.	inside.	inside.	inside.	attached.
Bathing facilities,	good.	good.	good.	fair.	good.	no bath tub.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	mains.	mains.	well.	well.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fairly good.	fair.	good.	good.	fairly good.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	three.	four.	two.	three.	four.	four.
Separation of sexes,	complete.	none.	complete.	none.	complete.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	8	5	13	1	1	2	4	4	8	-	1	1	4	-	4	4	-	4
Insane,*	-	2	2	1	1	2	1	2	3	1	-	1	2	1	3	-	-	-
Feeble-minded,*	2	1	3	-	4	4	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	2
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	10	8	18	2	6	8	6	7	13	1	1	2	7	1	8	5	1	6
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	detached.			none.			none.			none.			detached.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$2.65			$3.08			$2.37			$5.77+			$2.49			$3.35		

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	Westfield.	Westford.	West Newbury.	Westport.	Weymouth.	Williamstown.
Date of visit,	Sept. 14, 1899.	March 1, 1899.	Dec. 1, 1898.	Aug. 30, 1899.	Nov. 15, 1898.	May 18, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	brick and wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.	two.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	stoves.	stoves.	stoves.	steam.	steam.	stoves.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	inside.	inside.	detached.	detached.	detached.	detached.
Bathing facilities,	good.	good.	no bath tub.	no bath tub.	good.	no bath tub.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	poor.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	bad.
Water supply,	spring.	well.	well.	well.	mains.	spring.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fairly good.	fairly good.	fair.	fair.	fairly good.	poor.
Whole number of paid employees,	five.	four.	two.	three.	five.	three.
Separation of sexes,	partial.	none.	none.	partial.	partial.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	fair.
Cleanliness,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	unsatisfactory.
Frequency of bathing,	regular.	regular.	irregular.	irregular.	regular.	irregular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	9	16	25	3	2	5	3	-	3	4	5	9	14	6	20	2	2	4
Insane,*	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	2	-	2	2	-	-	-
Feeble-minded,*	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	6	2	8	1	-	1
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals,	12	17	29	5	2	7	3	1	4	4	9	13	20	10	30	3	2	5
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	none.			basement.			detached.			detached.			detached.			none.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.†	$2.91			$2.83+			$4.16			$2.54+			$2.82+			$2.26		

* Exclusive of epileptics.

† As computed from data furnished by overseers of the poor in their annual returns on March 31 to the State Board of Charity.

Statement relative to the Insane and Feeble-minded in City and Town Almshouses, etc. — Concluded.

	Wilmington.	Winchendon.	Woburn.	Worcester.	Wrentham.	Yarmouth.
Date of visit,	April 21, 1899.	July 28, 1899.	Nov. 16, 1898.	April 7, 1899.	Sept. 21, 1899.	Sept. 19, 1899.
I. Buildings: —						
Construction,	wood.	wood.	wood.	brick.	wood.	wood.
Number of stories,	two and one-half.	two.	two and one-half.	three.	two and one-half.	two and one-half.
Fire-escapes,	none.	none.	wood.	iron.	none.	none.
Method of heating,	stoves.	steam.	steam.	steam.	steam.	stoves.
Means of ventilation,	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.	flues.	windows and doors.	windows and doors.
Water-closets,	attached.	detached.	attached.	inside.	inside.	detached.
Bathing facilities,	no bath tub.	good.	good.	good.	good.	no bath tub.
Condition,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Drainage,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Water supply,	well.	spring.	mains.	mains.	well.	well.
II. Care of insane and feeble-minded,	fair.	fair.	fair.	good.	fair.	fair.
Whole number of paid employees,	two.	four.	four.	fifty-six.	three.	two.
Separation of sexes,	none.	partial.	partial.*	complete.	partial.	none.
Number in restraint,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Number in seclusion,	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.	none.
Clothing and bedding,	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Cleanliness,	good	good.	good.	good.	good.	good.
Frequency of bathing,	irregular.	regular.	regular.	regular.	irregular.	irregular.
Medical attendance,	on call.	on call.	on call.	regular.	on call.	on call.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
III. Classes of inmates: —																		
Sane,	1	-	1	7	3	10	19	6	25	92	29	121	1	1	2	2	1	3
Insane,†	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	2	39	50	89	-	-	-	-	1	1
Feeble-minded,†	-	1	1	1	1	2	3	-	3	-	-	-	1	3	4	1	1	2
Epileptics — Sane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	2	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idiots,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Totals,	1	1	2	9	4	13	23	8	31	135	81	216	2	5	7	3	3	6
Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tramp quarters,	detached.			none.			none.			none.			in shed.			in attic.		
IV. Average weekly per capita cost of maintenance of all inmates during the five years ending March 31, 1899.‡	$2.78			$2.15			$2.07+			$2.08+			$2.49			$3.24		

* Complete except at meals. † Exclusive of epileptics.

‡ As computed from data furnished by overseers of the poor in their annual returns on March 31 to the State Board of Charity.

Removals and Transfers.

The Board is authorized to transfer patients from one institution under its supervision to another, and from the Lyman and Industrial Schools to the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded and the Hospital Cottages for Children; and also to send insane pauper inmates to any State or place where they belong, when the public interest or the necessities of the inmates require. The following tables show such removals and transfers during the year: —

Removals.

REMOVED TO—	REMOVED FROM—										
	Worcester Insane Hospital.	Worcester Insane Asylum.	Taunton Insane Hospital.	Northampton Insane Hospital.	Danvers Insane Hospital.	Westborough Insane Hospital.	Hospital for Epileptics.	Asylum Wards, State Almshouse.	Asylum for Insane Criminals.	Hospital for Dipsomaniacs.	Totals.
Other States, ...	8	–	9	5	6	5	1	4	2	1	41
Other countries, ...	24	–	21	3	13	13	1	3	6	–	84
Totals, ...	32	–	30	8	19	18	2	7	8	1	125

Transfers.

TRANSFERRED TO—	TRANSFERRED FROM—															
	Worcester Insane Hospital.	Taunton Insane Hospital.	Northampton Insane Hospital.	Danvers Insane Hospital.	Westborough Insane Hospital.	Medfield Insane Asylum.	STATE ALMSHOUSE. Asylum Wards.	STATE ALMSHOUSE. Pauper Department.	Asylum for Insane Criminals.	Boston Insane Hospital.	McLean Hospital.	Hospital for Epileptics.	Hospital for Dipsomaniacs.	Lyman School for Boys.	Private Hospitals.	Totals.
Worcester Insane Hospital,	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	4	4	-	-	-	1	13
Taunton Insane Hospital,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	6	-	-	8
Danvers Insane Hospital,	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	8	4	-	-	-	-	17
Westborough Insane Hospital,	3	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	6	3	-	-	-	3	17
Worcester Insane Asylum,	33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	22	-	-	-	73
Medfield Insane Asylum,	1	12	-	2	6	-	6	-	-	141	-	6	-	-	-	174
Asylum Wards, State Almshouse,	2	8	-	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
Asylum for Insane Criminals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Boston Insane Hospital,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
McLean Hospital,	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded,	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	15
Massachusetts Hospital for Epileptics,	3	2	1	1	-	-	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	11
Hospital Cottages for Children,	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Private hospitals,	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2
Totals,	42	27	1	10	12	1	9	18	1	180	12	29	6	4	4	356

APPENDIX.

STATISTICAL TABLES.

ARRANGED ACCORDING TO FORMS IN USE PRIOR TO OCT. 1, 1898.

Finances of State Institutions.

Table I. — *Valuation of the State Institutions, Sept. 30, 1899.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Number of Acres of Land.	Value of Land.	Value of Buildings.	Value of Personal Property.	Total Valuation.	Valuation of 1898.	Increase of Valuation.
Worcester Insane Hospital,	411.45	$156,000 00	$2,163,125 00	$168,021 59*	$2,487,146 59	$1,477,986 87	$1,009,159 72
Worcester Insane Asylum,	11.13	193,880 00	258,000 00	42,699 82	494,579 82	492,807 88	1,771 94†
Taunton Insane Hospital,	272.00	47,600 00	422,000 00	122,139 70	591,739 70	579,288 06	12,451 64
Northampton Insane Hospital,	493.00	53,000 00	516,850 00	75,011 46	644,861 46	614,087 75	30,773 71
Danvers Insane Hospital,	392.70	35,977 00	1,506,492 00	136,855 07	1,679,324 07	1,661,250 38	18,073 69‡
Westborough Insane Hospital,	420.22	31,042 31	456,400 00	107,290 96	594,733 27	530,846 87	63,886 40
Medfield Insane Asylum,	426.00	20,000 00	1,019,000 00	129,029 32	1,168,029 32	1,137,203 44	30,825 88
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough,	96.00	15,000 00	138,825 00	27,784 02	181,609 02	183,510 01	1,900 99§
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	226.00	23,018 00	151,622 67	61,595 34	236,231 01	211,905 03	24,325 98
Totals,	2,748.50	$575,512 31	$6,632,314 67	$870,427 28	$8,078,254 26	$6,888,886 29	$1,189,367 97
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded, Waltham,	1,768.00	39,364 74	307,641 00	120,549 50	467,555 24	435,370 85	32,184 39

* Including funds amounting to $8,866.94.

‡ Decrease in valuation of buildings.

† Decrease in personal property.

§ Decrease in valuation of buildings and in personal property.

TABLE II. — *Classified Valuation of Personal Property at the State Institutions, Sept. 30, 1899.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Live Stock on the Farm.	Produce of the Farm on Hand.	Carriages and Agricultural Implements.	Machinery and Mechanical Fixtures.	Beds and Bedding in the Inmates' Department.	Other Furniture in the Inmates' Department.	Property of the State in the Superintendent's Department.	Ready-made Clothing.
Worcester Insane Hospital,	$10,235 00	$12,000 00	$6,780 00	$29,992 25	$31,994 22	$24,053 89	$27,393 67	$1,504 72
Worcester Insane Asylum,	350 00	832 61	500 00	9,000 00	9,000 00	3,500 00	9,500 00	2,713 93
Taunton Insane Hospital,	8,803 25	4,064 00	5,958 49	37,000 00	24,119 65	11,064 28	11,964 61	-
Northampton Insane Hospital,	8,995 00	7,981 57	3,500 00	15,000 00	12,500 00	8,250 00	8,000 00	1,048 44
Danvers Insane Hospital,	13,267 70	10,807 61	5,362 25	23,739 54	20,480 10	24,491 62	17,557 07	2,754 10
Westborough Insane Hospital,	10,681 00	5,122 00	5,372 47	23,974 30	16,749 76	19,453 29	7,522 82	780 13
Medfield Insane Asylum,	6,706 00	864 00	3,984 95	28,035 51	28,000 00	32,000 00	9,644 12	1,903 16
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough,	1,785 25	1,345 00	1,712 78	626 98	4,558 17	5,606 41	2,578 40	430 79
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	4,870 00	4,804 50	2,749 15	20,650 78	3,446 91	4,647 89	6,642 35	817 44
Totals,	$65,693 20	$47,821 29	$35,920 09	$188,019 36	$150,848 81	$133,067 38	$100,803 04	$11,952 71
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded, Waltham.	3,184 31	898 35	4,249 72	7,336 69	12,456 14	12,023 31	6,561 05	580 87

TABLE II. — *Classified Valuation of Personal Property, etc.* — Concluded.

INSTITUTIONS.	Dry Goods.	Provisions and Groceries.	Drugs and Medicines.	Fuel.	Library.	Other Supplies undistributed.	Funds and Investments.	Totals.
Worcester Insane Hospital,	$923 66	$2,344 19	$900 00	$758 00	$4,700 00	$5,575 05	$8,866 94	$168,021 59
Worcester Insane Asylum,	873 85	1,362 07	300 00	3,000 00	600 00	1,167 36	-	42,699 82
Taunton Insane Hospital,	8,067 52*	2,495 74	600 00	4,000 00	900 00	3,102 16	-	122,139 70
Northampton Insane Hospital,	1,461 72	2,070 57	817 00	923 10	1,000 00	3,464 06	-	75,011 46
Danvers Insane Hospital,	1,837 16	3,237 65	1,498 22	5,485 35	1,350 00	4,986 70	-	136,855 07
Westborough Insane Hospital,	2,920 84	1,889 74	922 31	7,828 44	1,457 28	2,616 58	-	107,290 96
Medfield Insane Asylum,	4,314 08	2,421 71	750 00	6,112 00	250 00	4,043 79	-	129,029 32
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough,	251 08	658 93	260 00	2,415 00	442 77	5,112 46	-	27,784 02
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	823 60	1,770 87	1,140 80	3,332 00	575 00	5,324 05	-	61,595 34
Totals,	$21,473 51	$18,251 47	$7,188 33	$33,853 89	$11,275 05	$35,392 21	$8,866 94	$870,427 28
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded, Waltham.	1,495 90	1,150 00	250 00	3,611 00	904 44	3,640 81	62,206 91	120,549 50

* Includes clothing.

TABLE III. — *Receipts of the State Institutions for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1899.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Cash on Hand Oct. 1, 1898.	Total from Appropriations for Current Expenses.	From Special Appropriations.	From Farm and the Labor of Inmates.	For Support.		From All Other Sources.	Total Receipts at the Institutions.	Other Receipts on Account of the Institutions.
					From Cities and Towns.	From Individuals.			
Worcester Insane Hospital,	$25,314 33	$41,170 72	$31,719 19	$3,321 79	$86,307 93	$48,765 20	$10,034 42	$246,633 58	$11,785 10
Worcester Insane Asylum,	8,906 62	21,122 52	-	-	50,901 42	-	889 96	81,820 52	222 39
Taunton Insane Hospital,	21,358 74	34,179 47	4,571 78	-	92,176 98	16,454 74	3,854 13	172,595 84	7,512 88
Northampton Insane Hospital,	1,252 40	10,866 61	13,134 96	1,200 94	68,947 02	22,028 35	3,327 20	120,757 48	1,699 76
Danvers Insane Hospital,	15,979 38	32,220 11	29,213 23	1,170 46	104,714 41	28,453 43	5,607 53	217,358 55	11,958 17
Westborough Insane Hospital,	7,549 51	27,976 57	45,418 79	-	58,184 76	35,481 85	182 95	174,794 43	5,663 44
Medfield Insane Asylum,	20,728 42	49,398 43	12,335 70	-	115,907 54	292 00	3,399 62	202,061 71	389 54
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough.	2,262 63	23,956 26	-	11,594 74	13,389 37	2,599 93	125 42	53,928 35	7,162 49
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	1,824 37	34,186 14	8,163 97	820 08	20,825 25	2,042 21	506 07	68,368 09	2,955 66
Totals,	$105,176 40	$275,076 83	$144,557 62	$18,108 01	$611,354 68	$156,117 71	$27,927 30	$1,338,318 55	$49,349 73
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded, Waltham.	-*	47,436 00	19,005 61	883 11	39,043 61	14,507 87	12,205 61	135,102 53	2,549 82

* None reported last year.

TABLE IV. — *Expenditures of the State Institutions for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1899.*

INSTITUTIONS.	CURRENT EXPENSES.								
	Salaries, Wages and Labor.	Provisions and Supplies.	Clothing.	Fuel and Lights.	Medicines and Medical Supplies.	Furniture, Beds and Bedding.	Transportation and Travelling Expenses.	Ordinary Repairs	Expenses of Trustees, Inspectors or Superintendents.
Worcester Insane Hospital,	$63,921 96	$57,376 55	$8,046 94	$14,055 63	$2,193 67	$8,702 97	$428 98	$9,724 24	$42 58
Worcester Insane Asylum,	23,753 84	20,219 23	4,914 44	5,043 99	257 24	593 36	258 35	7,863 80	21 28
Taunton Insane Hospital,	53,974 90	47,273 84	4,491 23	10,115 68	1,871 61	5,970 77	444 41	7,723 27	76 50
Northampton Insane Hospital,	37,922 50	28,122 69	3,637 53	8,820 87	1,136 39	5,481 56	791 19	1,983 59	79 56
Danvers Insane Hospital,	70,354 14	50,581 19	5,712 35	7,614 27	1,484 72	4,913 02	2,873 09	7,357 52	308 37
Westborough Insane Hospital,	51,136 88	36,306 67	2,661 86	11,118 71	714 32	4,903 91	3,601 25	6,384 58	454 89
Medfield Insane Asylum,	64,086 75	46,121 30	13,154 34	15,805 22	1,281 58	2,541 21	1,587 36	5,734 17	312 34
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough,	20,308 08	12,437 10	2,249 41	2,732 34	437 76	510 19	366 75	1,276 66	552 51
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	22,162 94	11,858 67	1,525 62	3,563 69	787 71	593 71	610 68	1,776 69	385 60
Totals,	$407,621 99	$310,297 24	$46,393 72	$78,870 40	$10,165 00	$34,210 70	$10,962 06	$49,824 52	$2,233 63
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded, Waltham.	39,285 86	27,767 60	6,233 88	5,347 74	633 37	2,605 64	280 55	9,807 37	-

TABLE IV. —*Expenditures of the State Institutions, etc.* — Concluded.

INSTITUTIONS.	Current Expenses — Con.		Extraordinary Expenses.				Total Disbursements.	Av'age Weekly Cost as computed by the Superintendents.
	All Other Ordinary Expenses.	Total Current Expenditures.	Buildings and Improvements.	Extraordinary Repairs.	Miscellaneous Disbursements	Total Extraordinary Expenses.		
Worcester Insane Hospital,	$10,840 22	$175,333 74	$64,188 17*	-	$1,324 48	$65,512 65	$240,846 39	$3 56
Worcester Insane Asylum,	4,497 92	67,423 45	-	$1,931 06	146 08	2,077 14	69,500 59	2 98
Taunton Insane Hospital,	10,452 13	142,394 34	20,535 82†	-	-	20,535 82	162,930 16	3 28
Northampton Insane Hospital,	7,558 39	95,534 27	38,263 52	5,592 78	3,319 11	47,175 41	142,709 68	3 26
Danvers Insane Hospital,	12,185 21	163,383 88	39,664 45	-	-	39,664 45	203,048 33	3 45
Westborough Insane Hospital,	4,810 93	122,094 00	45,418 79	2,492 51	-	47,911 30	170,005 30	3 81
Medfield Insane Asylum,	17,974 83	168,599 10	12,335 70	18,636 32	323 42	31,295 44	199,894 54	3 09
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough,	7,974 46	48,845 26	400 21	245 99	8,214 02	8,860 22	57,705 48	5 30
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	5,557 73	48,823 04	-	5,872 67	2,291 30	8,163 97	56,987 01	4 50
Totals,	$81,851 82	$1,032,431 08	$220,806 66	$34,771 33	$15,618 41	$271,196 40	$1,303,627 48	-
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded, Waltham.	9,588 08	101,550 09	22,807 24	-	10,624 57	33,431 81	134,981 90	$3 22

* Includes $32,468.98 expended from current receipts.

† Includes $15,964.04, Briggs Farm.

TABLE V. — *Financial Condition of the State Institutions, Sept. 30, 1899.*

INSTITUTIONS.	LIABILITIES.			RESOURCES.						Balance in Favor of the Institutions.
	Salaries Unpaid.	Bills Payable.	Total Liabilities.	Cash on Hand.	Bills Receivable.	Unexpended Current Appropriations.	Total Resources applicable to Current Expenses.	Unexpended Special Appropriations.	Total Available Resources.*	
Worcester Insane Hospital,	$5,640 00	$10,393 05	$16,033 05	$5,787 19	$46,876 57	-	$52,663 76	-	$52,663 76	$36,630 71
Worcester Insane Asylum,	1,995 09	5,606 41	7,601 50	12,319 93	19,884 55	-	32,204 48	-	32,204 48	24,602 98
Taunton Insane Hospital,	4,615 01	17,441 77	22,056 78	9,665 68	40,015 46	-	49,681 14	-	49,681 14	27,624 36
Northampton Insane Hospital,	3,222 18	7,046 46	10,268 64	3,176 36	27,836 67	-	31,013 03	$18,736 48	49,749 51	39,480 87
Danvers Insane Hospital,	6,027 29	16,086 04	22,113 33	15,844 92	43,160 04	-	59,004 96	31,824 54	90,829 50	68,716 17
Westborough Insane Hospital,	4,585 94	9,923 59	14,509 53	4,789 13	26,475 26	-	31,264 39	3,550 99	34,815 38	20,305 85
Medfield Insane Asylum,	4,893 12	9,590 75	14,483 87	2,167 17	40,137 26	$23,128 44	65,432 87	21,464 30	86,897 17	72,413 30
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough.	1,570 28	4,268 82	5,839 10	2,591 47	9,487 83	20,915 64	32,994 94	20,000 00	52,994 94	47,155 84
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	1,950 19	855 48	2,805 67	11,381 08	9,371 43	100,725 67	121,478 18	8,163 97	129,642 15	126,836 48
Totals,	$34,499 10	$81,212 37	$115,711 47	$67,722 93	$263,245 07	$144,769 75	$475,737 75	$103,740 28	$579,478 03	$463,766 56
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded, Waltham.	-	71 10	71 10	120 63	4,911 13	8,750 00	13,781 76	994 39	14,776 15	14,705 05

* Exclusive of invested funds, viz.: at Worcester Hospital, $8,866.94, for the library and for lawn; at the School for Feeble-minded the funds aggregate $62,206.91.

TABLE VI. — *Comparative Cost of Different Items by the Week.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Reported Average Number of Inmates.	Salaries, Wages and Labor.	Provisions and Supplies.	Clothing.	Fuel and Lights.	Medicine and Medical Supplies.	Furniture, Beds and Bedding.	Transportation and Traveling Expenses.	Ordinary Repairs.	All Other Ordinary Expenses.	Average of Weekly Cost.	
											Aggregate of the Foregoing Items.	Estimated by the Superintendents.
Worcester Insane Hospital,	913.54	$1 345	$1 207	$0 165	$0 295	$0 046	$0 183	$0 008	$0 193	$0 023	$3 465	$3 56
Worcester Insane Asylum,	433.81	1 053	896	222	224	113	026	011	348	021	2 914	2 98
Taunton Insane Hospital,	834.11	1 244	1 089	103	233	043	137	010	176	242	3 277	3 28
Northampton Insane Hospital,	563.32	1 294	940	123	301	038	187	027	067	260	3 237	3 26
Danvers Insane Hospital,	925.00	1 460	1 051	118	158	030	102	059	153	259	3 390	3 45
Westborough Insane Hospital,	615.99	1 596	1 133	083	347	211	153	112	199	164	3 998	3 81
Medfield Insane Asylum,	1,031.04	1 195	841	245	294	023	047	029	107	341	3 122	3 09
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough,	177.25	2 203	1 349	244	295	047	055	039	138	854	5 224	5 30
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	206.43	2 064	1 104	142	238	073	055	056	165	519	4 416	4 50
Totals,	5,700.47	$13 454	$9 610	$1 445	$2 385	$0 624	$0 945	$0 351	$1 546	$2 683	$33 043	$33 23
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded, Waltham.	605.00	1 248	882	198	169	020	082	008	311	304	3 222	3 22

TABLE VII. — *Population and Expenses of the State Institutions for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1899.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Persons admitted.	Whole Number maintained.	Deaths.	Number of Inmates Sept. 30, 1899.	Net Cost to the State.			Whole Sum derived from the State Treasury.
					Average Number supported by the State.	Net Current Expenses.	Average Weekly Cost.	
Worcester Insane Hospital,	548	1,402	95	968	253.20	$29,385 62	$2 231	$72,889 91
Worcester Insane Asylum,	74	493	27	461	123.05	20,900 13	3 266	21,122 52
Taunton Insane Hospital,	405	1,199	136	860	209.48	26,666 59	2 448	38,751 25
Northampton Insane Hospital,	220	772	52	590	72.15	9,166 85	2 443	24,001 57
Danvers Insane Hospital,	444	1,325	111	978	200.00	20,261 94	1 948	61,433 34
Westborough Insane Hospital,	347	920	61	654	171.12	22,313 13	2 507	73,395 36
Medfield Insane Asylum,	174	1,175	57	1,088	219.49	49,008 57	4 302	61,734 13
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough,	344	503	9	174	94.00	16,793 77	3 416	23,956 26
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	24	195	16	138	65.86	31,230 48	9 118	42,350 11
Totals,	2,580	7,984	564	5,911	1,408.35	$225,727 08	$3 082	$419,634 45
Totals (excluding transfers),	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded, Waltham,	98	696	21	622	309.00	44,886 18	2 787	66,441 61

TABLE VIII. — *Kind and Cost of Provisions at the State Institutions for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1899.*

INSTITUTIONS.	Meat of all Kinds.	Fish of all Kinds.	Fruit and Vegetables.	Flour.	Grain and Meal for Table.	Grain and Meal for Stock.	Tea, Coffee and Chocolate.	Sugar and Molasses.	Milk, Butter and Cheese.	Salt and Other Groceries.	All Other Provisions.	Totals.
Worcester Insane Hospital, . .	$14,489 29	$2,932 39	$4,846 55	$3,907 30	$608 00	$5,414 42	$1,608 84	$4,095 20	$9,768 70	$4,839 49	$4,866 37	$57,376 55
Worcester Insane Asylum, . .	3,230 89	771 02	2,306 48	2,488 90	38 53	190 54	796 21	1,250 80	6,332 20	346 49	2,467 17	20,219 23
Taunton Insane Hospital, . .	14,010 21	1,495 64	3,333 56	6,208 65	593 49	3,730 70	1,779 74	2,509 44	8,322 73	5,294 68	-	47,273 84
Northampton Insane Hospital, .	6,012 23	1,395 72	1,742 73	2,588 25	324 27	3,869 38	1,041 69	2,629 70	4,774 69	2,344 70	1,399 33	28,122 69
Danvers Insane Hospital, . .	16,766 07	2,594 63	2,815 99	4,578 50	478 65	5,018 39	1,751 96	3,049 02	6,684 80	4,115 83	2,727 35	50,581 19
Westborough Insane Hospital, .	10,248 15	1,595 07	2,068 68	4,099 02	500 35	4,122 15	1,622 72	2,781 12	3,749 00	4,927 96	592 45	36,306 67
Medfield Insane Asylum, . .	12,953 95	1,644 48	2,473 66	4,677 08	1,288 90	3,476 17	2,948 22	4,344 27	5,706 94	3,447 26	3,160 37	46,121 30
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough.	3,534 10	495 57	682 65	2,141 91	34 35	793 02	223 46	871 40	1,707 21	1,953 43	-	12,437 10
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson, .	2,777 22	393 54	399 68	1,789 93	240 90	1,755 30	218 28	911 49	1,804 69	558 59	1,009 05	11,858 67
Totals, ...	$84,022 11	$13,318 06	$20,669 98	$32,474 54	$4,107 44	$28,370 07	$11,991 12	$22,442 44	$48,850 96	$27,828 43	$16,222 09	$310,297 24
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded.	4,909 58	421 56	2,036 01	4,509 95	415 29	3,413 35	329 01	1,754 50	6,912 06	1,787 85	1,278 44	27,767 60

Insanity in Public and Private Hospitals and Asylums.

Table IX. — *Average Number of Inmates at the State Institutions for Thirteen Years.*

INSTITUTIONS.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.
Worcester Insane Hospital, .	719.64	708.19	779.74	811.48	807.01	857.36	878.78	899.91	922.34	956.25	853.58	874.10	913.52
Worcester Insane Asylum, .	393.52	393.95	385.56	330.23	394.66	427.82	446.94	442.23	460.68	427.36	438.14	428.16	433.81
Taunton Insane Hospital, .	638.00	628.00	632.61	639.49	649.05	692.95	722.03	766.33	817.78	819.37	796.19	781.61	833.67
Northampton Insane Hospital,	478.55	470.25	469.10	470.50	457.00	469.09	480.26	474.11	526.56	560.49	544.51	546.16	563.32
Danvers Insane Hospital, . .	743.00	736.00	734.54	782.28	784.00	834.31	870.40	879.77	935.35	914.28	822.95	871.45	925.00
Westborough Insane Hospital,	243.47*	369.60	437.89	474.69	473.09	508.61	521.30	530.95	564.20	579.90	546.57	563.91	615.99
Medfield Insane Asylum, . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	461.61†	741.95	974.59	1,031.04
Hospital for Dipsomaniacs, Foxborough.	-	-	-	-	-	-	62.78‡	101.08	125.14	145.32	148.77	164.58	177.25
Hospital for Epileptics, Monson,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130.83†	206.43
Asylum wards, State Almshouse.	356.58	335.52	356.73	360.11	376.00	371.80	451.57	471.61	480.90	475.80	482.99	461.17	464.34
Asylum for Insane Criminals, .	67.72	143.00	145.13	146.00	199.00	230.00	232.00	240.00	244.40	267.04	309.04	301.60	316.50
Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded.	179.00	195.00	198.00	240.00	328.00	364.00	398.00	423.00	426.00	416.00	438.00	558.00	605.00
Aggregates, . . .	3,783.07	3,979.51	4,139.30	4,254.78	4,467.81	4,755.94	5,042 33	5,228.99	5,503.30	5,754.15	6,122.69	6,579.84	7,085.37

* For ten months. † For five months. ‡ For thirty-four weeks.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF INMATES.

TABLE X. — *Admissions, Discharges, etc., at Institutions for the Insane for the Year ending Sept. 30, 1899.*

	Worcester Insane Hospital.	Worcester Insane Asylum.	Taunton Insane Hospital.	Northampton Insane Hospital.	Danvers Insane Hospital.	Westborough Insane Hospital.	Hospital for Epileptics, Monson.	Medfield Insane Asylum.	Asylum Wards, State Almshouse, Tewksbury.	Asylum for Insane Criminals, Bridgewater.	McLean Hospital, Waverley.	Boston Insane Hospital.	Herbert Hall, Worcester.	The Highlands, Winchendon.
Remaining Sept. 30, 1898,	874	419	806	563	890	584	171	1,001	452	300	164	567	13	10
Males,	378	206	401	283	416	232	82	424	103	300	73	323	-	7
Females,	496	213	405	280	474	352	89	577	349	-	91	244	13	3
Since admitted,	548	74	405	220	444	347	24	174	118	74	123	344	8	11
Males,	278	26	225	115	233	166	20	114	58	74	53	136	-	7
Females,	270	48	180	105	211	181	4	60	60	-	70	208	8	4
Cases within the year,	1,422	493	1,211	783	1,334	931	195	1,175	570	374	287	911	21	21
Persons within the year,	1,402	493	1,199	772	1,325	920	195	1,175	570	374	284	898	21	21
Males,	643	232	621	392	645	390	102	538	161	374	126	455	-	14
Females,	759	261	578	380	680	530	93	637	409	-	158	443	21	7
Residents of other States,	-	-	-	7	-	11	-	-	-	-	57	3	3	5
Average number,	913.52	433.81	833.67	563.32	925.00	615.99	154.70	1,031.04	460.34	316.50	154.54	521.05	12.00	9.60
Discharges, viz.: —	454	32	351	193	356	277	57*	87	76	43	116	404	10	13
Recovered,	107	2	84	56	54	66	-	1	7	12	35	38	4	2
Much improved,	78	-	25	21	45	60	2	2	-	3	21	21	1	1
Improved,	78	2	34	21	57	32	7	6	10	3	24	27	1	4
Not improved,	83	1	72	40	87	26	31	21	21	5	27	226	1	6
Not insane,	13	-	-	3	2	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Died,	95	27	136	52	111	61	16	57	38	20	9	92	3	-

* One not epileptic.

TABLE X. — *Admissions, Discharges, etc.* — Continued.

	Private Asylum, Brookline.	Bournewood, Brookline.	Riverview, Baldwinsville.	Private Asylum, Norwood.	Newton Nervine.	Wellesley Nervine.	Locust Grove, Sandwich.	Cutter Retreat, Pepperell.	Sanatorium, Arlington Heights.	Framingham Nervine.	Laurelwood, Newton.	Boarded in Families.	Totals for the State.
Remaining Sept. 30, 1898,	10	7	5	5	14	2	3	1	-	3	1	112	6,977
Males,	-	2	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	20	3,255
Females,	10	5	4	4	12	2	3	1	-	3	-	92	3,722
Since admitted,	-	7	-	3	16	3	-	2	-	3	-	6	2,954
Males,	-	3	-	1	6	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1,517
Females,	-	4	-	2	10	2	-	1	-	3	-	6	1,437
Cases within the year,	10	14	5	8	30	5	3	3	-	6	1	118	9,931
Persons within the year,	10	14	5	8	30	5	3	3	-	6	1	118	9,491
Males,	-	5	1	2	8	1	-	1	-	-	1	20	4,520
Females,	10	9	4	6	22	4	3	2	-	6	-	98	4,971
Residents of other States,	2	4	1	2	11	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	110
Average number,	9.00	9.90	4.00	4.27	12.09	1.35	3.00	1.97	-	2.00	1.00	106.52	7,100.18
Discharges, viz.:—	2	2	1	3	19	4	1	1	-	4	1	22	2,529*
Recovered,	-	1	-	1	5	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	478
Much improved,	-	-	1	-	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	288
Improved,	1	-	-	-	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	313
Not improved,	-	1	-	1	6	-	-	-	-	2	1	15	673
Not insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
Died,	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	5	726

* One not epileptic.

TABLE X. — *Admissions, Discharges, etc.* — Continued.

	Worcester Insane Hospital.	Worcester Insane Asylum.	Taunton Insane Hospital.	Northampton Insane Hospital.	Danvers Insane Hospital.	Westborough Insane Hospital.	Hospital for Epileptics, Monson.	Medfield Insane Asylum.	Asylum Wards, State Almshouse, Tewksbury.	Asylum for Insane Criminals, Bridgewater.	McLean Hospital, Waverley.	Boston Insane Hospital.	Herbert Hall, Worcester.	The Highlands, Winchendon.
Remaining Sept. 30, 1899,	968	461	860	590	978	654	138	1,088	494	331	171	507	11	8
Males,	413	216	436	295	474	271	67	501	122	331	80	257	-	4
Females,	555	245	424	295	504	383	71	587	372	-	91	250	11	4
Supported by the State,	223	135	187	82	187	168	31	233	326	205	-	-	-	-
by towns,	576	326	600	420	694	372	107	855	168	126	-	418	-	-
by individuals,	169	-	73	88	97	114	-	-	-	-	171*	89	11	8
Residents of other States,	-	-	-	5	-	4	-	-	-	-	38	-	3	1
Whole number of admissions, viz.: —	548	74	405	220	444	347	24	174	118	74	123	344	8	11
Supported by the State,	343	25	248	72	271	148	22	23	103	54	-	-	-	-
by towns,	140	49	121	117	134	113	2	151	15	20	-	298	-	-
by individuals,	65	-	36	31	39	86	-	-	-	-	123†	46	8	11
First hospital admissions,	413	-	312	171	311	231	11	-	99	41	89	284	7	8
Former inmates,	135	74	93	49	133	116	13	174	19	33	34	60	1	3
Of this hospital,	89	6	61	45	92	64	-	2	2	28	18	36	-	1
Of other hospitals,	46	68	32	4	41	52	13	172	17	5	16	24	1	2
Among the admissions were —														
Admitted as habitual drunkards,‡	4	-	5	-	2	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Received as voluntary patients,	-	-	-	2	3	32	-	-	-	-	66	5	5	8

* Three supported by the hospital. † Two supported by the hospital. ‡ Reported only by the State hospitals.

TABLE X. — *Admissions, Discharges, etc.* — Concluded.

	Private Asylum, Brookline.	Bournewood, Brookline.	Riverview, Baldwinsville.	Private Asylum, Norwood.	Newton Nervine.	Wellesley Nervine.	Locust Grove, Sandwich.	Cutter Retreat, Pepperell.	Sanatorium, Arlington Heights.	Framingham Nervine.	Laurelwood, Newton.	Boarded in Families.	Totals for the State.
Remaining Sept. 30, 1899,	8	12	4	5	11	1	2	2	-	2	-	96	7,402
Males,	-	5	1	1	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	17	3,496
Females,	8	7	3	4	7	1	2	1	-	2	-	79	3,906
Supported by the State,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26	1,803
by towns,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57	4,719
by individuals,	8	12	4	5	11	1	2	2	-	2	-	13	880
Residents of other States,	2	2	1	1	5	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	64
Whole number of admissions, viz.:—	-	7	-	3	16	3	-	2	-	3	-	6	2,954
Supported by the State,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1,312
by towns,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1,163
by individuals,	-	7	-	3	16	3	-	2	-	3	-	-	479
First hospital admissions,	-	4	-	2	11	3	-	2	-	2	-	-	2,001
Former inmates,	-	3	-	1	5	-	-	-	-	1	-	6	953
Of this hospital,	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	448
Of other hospitals,	-	1	-	1	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	6	505
Among the admissions were,—													
Admitted as habitual drunkards,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Received as voluntary patients,	-	-	-	1	18	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	137

TABLE XI. — *Number of State, Town and Private Patients remaining in the Public Hospitals and Asylums for the Insane on the 30th of September, for Thirty-three Years.*

YEARS.	Worcester Insane Hospital.			Worcester Insane Asylum.		Taunton Insane Hospital.			Northampton Insane Hospital.			Danvers Insane Hospital.		
	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	Private.
1867, . .	101	142	114	-	-	158	132	51	271	49	93	-	-	-
1868, . .	96	141	145	-	-	181	168	49	264	51	106	-	-	-
1869, . .	51	173	152	-	-	145	194	44	234	63	105	-	-	-
1870, . .	35	193	181	-	-	124	208	50	209	73	123	-	-	-
1871, . .	29	211	181	-	-	91	213	78	215	89	116	-	-	-
1872, . .	25	241	173	-	-	85	261	68	230	99	104	-	-	-
1873, . .	48	244	177	-	-	76	290	68	247	101	85	-	-	-
1874, . .	82	244	159	-	-	128	308	72	291	110	75	-	-	-
1875, . .	42	296	140	-	-	135	394	73	262	139	75	-	-	-
1876, . .	35	320	132	-	-	137	485	70	253	148	63	-	-	-
1877, . .	51	355	122	-	-	158	563	55	239	175	61	-	-	-
1878, . .	77	303	129	97	278	134	387	58	198	179	52	80	107	35
1879, . .	73	300	116	118	253	126	378	55	202	184	56	149	334	50
1880, . .	120	311	102	120	253	119	378	59	183	206	57	134	395	78
1881, . .	114	363	108	95	272	81	411	56	176	229	58	112	432	82
1882, . .	135	442	104	104	277	94	414	60	161	244	54	115	442	99
1883, . .	184	436	111	105	287	111	463	59	158	253	58	150	461	110
1884, . .	170	460	119	109	277	100	458	69	153	253	57	153	452	113
1885, . .	197	464	125	112	298	123	472	61	154	262	60	214	434	104
1886, . .	149	486	123	100	298	113	484	66	141	283	67	200	459	104
1887, . .	135	432	127	93	299	111	449	74	104	300	65	165	477	98
1888, . .	168	491	116	98	297	91	455	78	103	309	69	104	504	107

TABLE XI. — *Number of State, Town and Private Patients, etc.* — Continued.

YEARS.	Worcester Insane Hospital.			Worcester Insane Asylum.		Taunton Insane Hospital.			Northampton Insane Hospital.			Danvers Insane Hospital.		
	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	Private.
1889, . .	154	534	121	94	289	94	444	79	88	297	61	110	541	108
1890, . .	180	483	122	82	217	131	463	85	101	323	71	142	563	108
1891, . .	207	491	127	117	294	129	472	79	80	302	71	138	575	104
1892, . .	248	487	156	146	303	108	509	81	84	332	73	135	613	115
1893, . .	223	528	135	139	315	147	533	71	81	327	72	142	615	112
1894, . .	204	576	144	137	326	121	567	97	73	361	70	130	660	116
1895, . .	208	606	147	121	326	118	637	91	73	390	73	138	698	112
1896, . .	233	474	154	114	311	150	564	85	75	405	79	180	568	109
1897, . .	178	540	149	107	328	122	565	71	47	388	87	92	604	107
1898, . .	183	531	160	107	312	156	576	74	58	407	98	132	658	100
1899, . .	223	576	169	135	326	187	600	73	82	420	88	187	694	97

TABLE XI. — *Number of State, Town and Private Patients, etc.* — Continued.

YEARS.	At Ipswich* and Westborough.			At Tewksbury.		At Bridgewater.		At McLean Hospital.	At Boston Insane Hospital.		Totals by Classes.			Total of All Classes.†
	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	State.	Town.	Private.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	Private.	
1867, . .	-	39	15	248	-	-	-	181	130	36	713	532	490	1,795
1868, . .	-	38	44	264	-	-	-	173	154	25	805	552	512	1,869
1869, . .	-	40	16	267	-	-	-	186	185	19	697	955	522	1,874
1870, . .	-	47	19	294	-	-	-	186	207	15	662	728	574	1,962
1871, . .	-	34	17	295	-	-	-	170	223	17	630	770	579	1,976
1872, . .	-	43	18	299	-	-	-	174	200	14	639	844	561	2,034
1873, . .	-	45	19	303	-	-	-	163	178	13	674	858	525	2,057
1874, . .	-	41	20	319	-	-	-	150	183	22	820	886	498	2,204
1875, . .	-	43	19	286	-	-	-	159	172	29	725	1,044	495	2,264
1876, . .	-	50	21	284	-	-	-	159	177	18	711	1,180	463	2,354
1877, . .	-	50	21	286	-	-	-	183	166	26	734	1,310	467	2,511
1878, . .	-	55	15	251	-	-	-	163	170	26	837	1,479	478	2,794
1879, . .	-	54	12	202	-	-	-	160	130	23	870	1,634	472	2,976
1880, . .	-	49	12	159	32	-	-	163	136	26	867	1,760	497	3,123
1881, . .	-	46	12	193	34	-	-	153	154	24	805	1,941	493	3,239
1882, . .	-	50	9	237	37	-	-	160	169	19	846	2,075	505	3,426
1883, . .	-	51	11	218	54	-	-	174	171	16	926	2,156	539	3,621
1884, . .	-	46	7	307	37	-	-	175	178	16	955	2,161	556	3,672
1885, . .	-	50	7	265	34	-	-	169	195	19	1,064	2,205	545	3,814

* Ipswich Asylum discontinued and Westborough opened in 1887.

† Including at Medfield Insane Asylum, in 1896, 563 patients, — State 128 and town 435; in 1897, 961, — State 198 and town 763; in 1898, 1,001, — State 204 and town 797; and in 1899, 1,088, — State 233 and town 855. At the Hospital for Epileptics at Monson in 1898, 171, — State 50, town 120 and private 1; and in 1899, 138, — State 31 and town 107.

TABLE XI. — *Number of State, Town and Private Patients, etc.* — Concluded.

YEARS.	At Ipswich and Westborough.			At Tewksbury.		At Bridgewater.		At McLean Hospital.	At Boston Insane Hospital.		Totals by Classes.			Total of All Classes.
	State.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	State.	Town.	Private.	Town.	Private.	State.	Town.	Private.	
1886, . .	-	47	7	325	42	48	-	161	206	27	1,079	2,305	555	3,936
1887, . .	115	172	22	318	41	106	29	169	214	38	1,137	2,413	588	4,138
1888, . .	113	258	35	270	82	100	41	179	153	23	1,042	2,590	607	4,239
1889, . .	196	264	43	281	83	112	35	182	276	37	1,129	2,764*	631	4,524
1890, . .	158	309	41	275	89	112	36	184	335	42	1,181	2,819*	653	4,653
1891, . .	137	308	48	278	86	147	76	174	364	63	1,233	2,969*	666	4,868
1892, . .	170	323	51	279	101	147	83	185	347	61	1,317	3,098	722	5,137
1893, . .	132	314	68	295	168	137	85	177	402	50	1,296	3,287	685	5,268
1894, . .	134	357	82	298	162	155	93	181	392	61	1,252	3,494	751	5,497
1895, . .	125	342	100	294	179	161	83	136	454	73	1,238	3,725	732	5,695
1896, . .	96	351	101	281	193	188	112	150	406	76	1,445	3,819	754	6,018
1897, . .	120	333	98	290	179	206	119	155	431	76	1,360	4,250	743	6,353
1898, . .	118	374	92	281	171	167	113	164	480	87	1,476	4,539	776	6,791
1899, . .	168	372	114	327	168	205	126	171	418	89	1,778	4,662	801	7,241

* Includes one town patient at McLean.

TABLE XII. — *Cases of Insanity and Persons Insane at Public and Private Institutions, 1898–99.*

	Worcester Insane Hospital.	Worcester Insane Asylum.	Taunton Insane Hospital.	Northampton Insane Hospital.	Danvers Insane Hospital.	Westborough Insane Hospital.	Hospital for Epileptics, Monson.	Medfield Insane Hospital.	Asylum Wards, State Almshouse, Tewksbury.	Asylum for Insane Criminals, Bridgewater.	McLean Hospital, Waverley.	Boston Insane Hospital.	Total Public Hospitals.	Private Hospitals.	Aggregate.
Cases admitted within the year,	548	74	405	220	444	347	24	174	118	74	123	344	2,895	53	2,948
Recent (insane less than one year),	287	4	172	105	195	151	1	-	12	-	82	174	1,183	45	1,228
Chronic (insane one year or more),	144	52	123	103	207	93	21	149	23	33	41	170	1,159	8	1,167
Of unknown duration,	117	18	110	12	42	103	2	25	83	41	-	-	553	-	553
Persons admitted within the year,	536	74	398	217	435	336	24	174	118	74	123	343	2,726	53	2,775
Recent cases,	275	4	165	102	186	140	1	-	12	-	82	173	1,030	45	1,074
Chronic cases,	144	52	123	103	207	93	21	149	23	33	41	170	1,143	8	1,148
Unknown,	117	18	110	12	42	103	2	25	83	41	-	-	553	-	553
New cases: —															
Persons first admitted to any hospital,	413	-	312	176	311	231	11	-	99	41	89	284	1,967	39	2,006
Recent insanity,	222	-	139	89	161	116	1	-	7	-	62	157	954	34	988
Chronic insanity,	99	-	96	77	115	52	9	-	14	-	27	127	616	5	621
Unknown,	92	-	77	10	35	63	1	-	78	41	-	-	397	-	397
Persons transferred from other insane hospitals,	15	74	1	1	18	22	10	174	15	1	4	2	337	3	340
admitted from the general community,	521	-	397	216	417	314	14	-	103	73	119	341	2,389	50	2,435
viz: from cities and large towns,	438	-	296	160	402	229	13	-	13	-	102	337	1,884	46	1,926
from rural districts,	83	-	101	56	15	83	1	-	-	-	17	1	337	4	341
unknown,	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	90	73	-	3	168	-	168
Whole number of cases within the year,	1,422	498	1,211	783	1,334	931	195	1,175	570	374	287	911	9,686	127	9,813
Whole number of persons within the year,	1,402	498	1,199	772	1,325	920	195	1,175	570	374	284	898	9,329	123	9,448
Recoveries within the year,	107	2	84	56	54	66	-	1	7	12	35	38	462	16	478
Deaths within the year,	95	27	136	52	111	61	16	57	38	20	9	92	714	7	721

TABLE XIII. — *Record of Cases admitted within the Year 1898–99 at Five State Hospitals.*

	Insane.			Habitual Drunkards.			Aggregates.		
	Males.	Females.	Totals.	Males.	Females.	Totals.	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Admitted,	1,017	925	1,942	-	22	22	1,017	947	1,964
Discharged recovered,	151	88	239	-	3	3	151	91	242
much improved,	55	41	96	-	2	2	55	43	98
improved,	53	58	111	-	-	-	53	58	111
not improved,	68	72	140	-	-	-	68	72	140
not insane,	24	7	31	-	8	8	24	15	39
Died,	80	55	135	-	-	-	80	55	135
Remaining Sept 30, 1899,	586	604	1,190	-	9	9	586	613	1,199
Number likely to recover or improve,*	126	137	263	-	6	6	126	143	269

* None of the 201 cases remaining at Westborough are reported under this head.

TABLE XIV. — *Forms of Mental Disease in Cases admitted or discharged at Five State Hospitals, with Condition on Discharge, 1898–99.*

FORMS OF DISEASE.	Cases admitted, 1898-99.	Cases discharged, 1898-99.					
		Recovered.	Much improved.	Improved.	Not improved.	Died.	Aggregate.
I. Insane: —							
Mania, acute delirious,	6	3	-	-	-	3	6
acute,	54	40	6	2	2	7	57
chronic,	26	1	6	12	6	18	43
Melancholia, acute,	120	65	17	9	9	16	116
chronic,	19	3	8	8	9	10	38
climacteric,	16	2	-	3	-	3	8
agitated,	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
with stupor,	24	7	7	5	5	5	29
Hypochondriacal insanity,	4	1	1	1	-	2	5
Confusional insanity,	43	22	6	7	5	8	48
Folie à deux,	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Periodic insanity,	26	11	2	-	1	1	15
Manic and delirious forms,	54	23	11	5	1	4	44
Depressed forms,	30	21	8	3	2	4	38
Circular forms,	26	5	8	-	2	1	16
Dementia, primary,	116	2	12	23	29	17	83
secondary,	68	-	6	7	23	35	71
praecox,	97	1	12	13	24	9	59
Delirium,	30	19	-	-	-	3	22
Paranoic condition,	60	1	10	12	14	3	40
Primary delusional insanity,	186	-	30	24	41	13	108
Chronic delusional insanity,	47	-	2	5	16	12	35
Neurasthenia,	10	-	2	1	1	-	4
Choreic insanity,	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Diabetic insanity,	1	-	-	1	-	1	2
Hysterical insanity,	1	1	-	-	-	-	1
Puerperal insanity,	9	7	-	-	1	-	8
Toxic insanity,	246	125	26	17	17	16	201
Traumatic insanity,	3	1	1	-	-	-	2
Paralysis agitans,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Epilepsy and epileptic insanity,	77	2	9	15	24	15	65
General paralysis,	158	-	14	14	16	85	129
Organic brain disease,	52	-	2	6	6	37	51
Senile insanity,	154	-	6	15	14	116	151
Imbecility,	122	-	14	14	35	7	70
II. Habitual drunkards,	22	3	3	-	11	-	17
III. Not insane, voluntary cases,	47	1	-	-	44	2	47
Total of cases,	1,964	367	229	222	358	455	1,631
Total of persons,	1,922	-	-	-	-	-	1,616

TABLE XV. — *Probable Causes of Mental Diseases in Persons admitted at Seven Hospitals in 1898–99.*

ASSIGNED CAUSES.	Worcester Insane Hospital.			Taunton Insane Hospital.			Northampton Insane Hospital.			Danvers Insane Hospital.			Westborough Insane Hospital.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
I. Physical:—															
Arterio-sclerosis,	3	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cerebral hemorrhage,	-	1	1	5	1	6	1	6	7	8	8	16	-	-	-
Cerebral tumor,	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cerebro-spinal meningitis,	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chorea,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congenital,	13	10	23	16	5	21	7	12	19	24	15	39	5	4	9
Epilepsy,	7	4	11	8	6	14	-	2	2	-	-	-	8	5	13
Exhaustion,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Haematuria,	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heredity,	21	27	48	20	30	50	5	6	11	28	28	56	7	5	12
Hysterectomy,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Ill health,	5	10	15	4	1	5	-	5	5	-	6	6	12	10	22
Immorality,	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Injuries,	2	4	6	7	3	10	2	-	2	5	-	5	4	1	5
Intemperance,	89	42	131	45	27	72	34	6	40	40	5	45	20	7	27
Lactation,	-	13	13	-	9	9	-	5	5	-	9	9	-	-	-
La grippe,	6	4	10	-	1	1	-	3	3	-	4	4	-	-	-
Malaria,	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marriage,	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Masturbation,	23	18	41	5	-	5	21	2	23	-	-	-	-	-	-
Menopause,	-	32	32	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	17	17	-	7	7
Menstrual disorders,	-	10	10	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Narcotics,	2	-	2	-	2	2	1	-	1	3	4	7	2	2	4
Nephritis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Ovariotomy,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overwork,	6	6	12	4	-	4	1	3	4	-	5	5	13	11	24
Paralysis,	-	-	-	3	3	6	-	-	-	3	-	3	1	-	1
Pernicious anæmia,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Poverty,	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2

PROBABLE CAUSES OF MENTAL DISEASES, ETC.

Pregnancy,	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Previous attacks,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	6	-	-	-
Rheumatism, rheumatic fever,	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet-fever,	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senility,	15	23	38	10	10	20	10	15	25	23	26	49	5	5	10
Septicæmia,	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sexual excesses,	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sexual abnormality,	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sunstroke,	3	-	3	2	1	3	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Surgical operation,	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syphilis,	27	8	35	10	-	10	4	1	5	6	-	6	-	-	-
Typhoid fever,	-	1	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Tubercular meningitis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Miscellaneous diseases,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	12	24
II. Mental: —															
Bereavement,	1	3	4	2	3	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Business troubles,	2	2	4	2	-	2	1	-	1	2	-	2	3	-	3
Disappointment,	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	2
Family troubles,	3	6	9	1	2	3	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	2	2
Fright, shock,	1	-	1	-	2	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Grief, anxiety, ridicule, etc.,	9	9	18	2	1	3	3	9	12	1	25	26	4	8	12
Imprisonment,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mental overwork,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	-	3
Nervousness,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Religious excitement,	1	-	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3
Seduction,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	5	5	17	26	43
Unknown,	32	25	57	69	66	135	19	18	37	76	45	121	47	69	116
Total,	278	270	548	220	178	398	115	105	220	229	206	435	166	181	347

TABLE XV. — *Probable Causes of Mental Diseases, etc.* — Concluded.

ASSIGNED CAUSES.	McLean Hospital, Waverley			Boston Insane Hospital.			Total.			Previous Attacks.			Hereditary Predisposition.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
I. Physical: —															
Arterio-sclerosis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4	-	-	-	2	-	2
Cerebral hemorrhage,	2	2	4	3	7	10	19	25	44	1	-	1	-	3	3
Cerebral tumor,	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cerebro-spinal meningitis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chorea,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1
Congenital,	-	-	-	3	6	9	68	52	120	-	3	3	18	9	27
Epilepsy,	1	-	1	4	6	10	28	23	51	6	-	6	3	4	7
Exhaustion,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Haematuria,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Heredity,	8	12	20	3	6	9	92	114	206	26	35	61	84	111	195
Hysterectomy,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ill health,	6	3	9	5	16	21	32	51	83	3	6	9	5	14	19
Immorality,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Injuries,	1	-	1	7	-	7	28	8	36	1	1	2	3	-	3
Intemperance,	5	1	6	27	13	40	260	101	361	55	33	88	29	15	44
Lactation,	-	-	-	-	9	9	-	45	45	-	5	5	-	4	4
La grippe,	-	-	-	2	3	5	8	15	23	1	2	3	1	4	5
Malaria,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marriage,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Masturbation,	-	-	-	-	-	-	49	20	69	5	7	12	24	12	36
Menopause,	-	5	5	-	2	2	-	65	65	-	8	8	-	15	15
Menstrual disorders,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	11	-	4	4	-	8	8
Narcotics,	1	-	1	-	-	-	9	8	17	1	2	3	-	-	-
Nephritis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ovariotomy,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Overwork,	-	-	-	7	6	13	31	31	62	8	5	13	8	7	15
Paralysis,	-	-	-	1	-	1	8	3	11	1	-	1	-	-	-
Pernicious anæmia,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poverty,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	4	-	1	1	-	2	2

Pregnancy,	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	7	7	-	1	1	-	3	3
Previous attacks,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	6	6	-	6	-	-	-
Rheumatism, rheumatic fever,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	1	1
Scarlet-fever,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senility,	3	3	6	25	31	56	91	113	204	7	5	12	9	19	28
Septicæmia,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sexual excesses,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	2	-	2	2	-	2
Sexual abnormality,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	1
Sunstroke,	-	-	-	-	1	1	6	2	8	6	1	7	2	1	3
Surgical operation,	-	2	2	-	2	2	1	6	7	1	-	1	-	3	3
Syphilis,	5	-	5	1	1	2	53	10	63	5	1	6	9	4	13
Typhoid fever,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	4	-	-	-	-	1	1
Tubercular meningitis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous diseases,	-	2	2	4	-	4	16	14	30	-	2	2	1	1	2
II. Mental:—															
Bereavement,	-	-	-	-	2	2	3	8	11	1	1	2	1	-	1
Business troubles,	-	-	-	4	-	4	14	2	16	1	-	1	3	1	4
Disappointment,	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	5	7	1	-	1	1	3	4
Family troubles,	-	-	-	1	3	4	5	16	21	1	5	6	1	7	8
Fright, shock,	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	5	6	-	1	1	-	1	1
Grief, anxiety, ridicule, etc.,	8	13	21	2	5	7	29	70	99	4	12	16	6	11	17
Imprisonment,	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mental overwork,	10	9	19	-	-	-	13	10	23	1	-	1	4	4	8
Nervousness,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Religious excitement,	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	4	7	-	1	1	1	-	1
Seduction,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not insane,	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	31	51	2	1	3	2	-	2
Unknown,	11	14	25	54	55	109	308	292	600	36	53	89	15	18	33
Total,	62	69	131	154	178	332	1,224	1,187	2,411	183	197	380	237	289	526

TABLE XVI. — *Causes of Death at Seven Hospitals in the Last Official Year, 1898–99.*

CAUSES.	Worcester Insane Hospital.			Taunton Insane Hospital.			Northampton Insane Hospital.			Danvers Insane Hospital.			Westborough Insane Hospital.			McLean Hospital, Waverley.			Boston Insane Hospital.			Total.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
I. Diseases of nervous system:—																								
Mania, acute,	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	2	4	5	2	7
acute delirious,	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3
chronic,	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3
Melancholia, acute,	-	-	-	1	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	6
chronic,	-	-	-	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	3	2	5
Dementia, primary,	-	-	-	4	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	5
secondary,	-	-	-	3	3	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	7	-	-	-	1	-	1	5	9	14
Choreic insanity,	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Delirium tremens,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Epilepsy and epileptic insanity,	-	-	-	2	2	4	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	1	1	4	6	10
Exhaustion, cause obscure,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Locomotor ataxia,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Meningitis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1
Paralysis,	-	-	-	14	5	19	4	3	7	19	6	25	10	1	11	4	-	4	15	4	19	66	19	85
Organic brain disease,	-	-	-	6	2	8	1	8	9	-	1	1	2	3	5	-	-	-	1	-	1	10	14	24
Senile insanity,	-	-	-	4	10	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	13	18	-	-	-	5	3	8	14	26	40
Primary delusional insanity,	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3
Toxic insanity,	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	3
II. Diseases of respiratory system:—																								
Bronchitis,	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5
Pneumonia,	21	12	33	2	2	4	2	1	3	6	17	23	1	1	2	3	-	3	-	5	5	35	38	73
Pleurisy,	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3
Pulmonary abscess,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
œdema,	10	4	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	4	15
embolism,	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
gangrene,	2	-	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
hemorrhage,	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
infarct,	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	3
tuberculosis,	5	6	11	10	5	15	2	4	6	8	6	14	1	2	3	-	-	-	1	3	4	27	26	53
Tonsilitis,	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Tubercular empyema,	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1

CAUSES OF DEATH, ETC.

III. Diseases of circulatory system:—																									
Endocarditis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1
Fatty degeneration of heart,	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3
Valvular disease of heart,	1	2	3	1	2	3	2	1	3	2	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	7	8	15	
Organic disease of heart,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	2	
Heart failure,	7	1	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	1	8	
Femoral thrombosis with gangrene,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	
Arterio-sclerosis,	-	-	-	7	1	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	1	8	
Cerebral hemorrhage,	1	-	1	2	1	3	1	2	3	4	3	7	1	-	1	2	-	2	-	2	2	11	8	19	
Cerebral softening,	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	
IV. Diseases of digestive system:—																									
Acute dysentery,	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	3	3	
Acute intestinal catarrh,	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	4	5	9	
Gastritis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	
Gastro-enteritis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
Peritonitis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
V. General causes:—																									
Addison's disease,	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	
Cancer,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	
Carcinoma,	2	-	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	3	1	4	
Cirrhosis,	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	
Diabetes,	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	
Empyema,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	
Erysipelas,	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	5	
Gangrene,	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	
Hemorrhage,	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
Intermittent fever,	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	
Intestinal obstruction,	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	
La grippe,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
Marasmus,	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	
Miliary tuberculosis,	-	1	1	1	2	3	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	6	
Nephritis,	2	1	3	-	2	2	1	-	1	2	-	2	1	2	3	2	-	2	2	1	3	10	6	16	
Neuritis,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	
Pernicious anæmia,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	
Rectal abscess,	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	3	
Senility,	-	-	-	1	2	3	5	3	8	5	6	11	-	-	-	1	1	2	3	6	9	15	18	33	
Septicæmia,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	3	3	1	4	
Suicide,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	2	
Suppurative adenitis,	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
Fracture of skull,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	
Punctured wound,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	
Injury from burn,	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
Volvulus,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	
Total,	60	35	95	75	61	136	26	26	52	58	53	111	28	33	61	13	3	16	41	34	75	301	245	546	

TABLE XVII. — *Duration before Admission in Cases recovered or died in the Last Official Year at Seven Hospitals, 1898–99.*

PERIOD.	Worcester Insane Hospital.				Taunton Insane Hospital.				Northampton Insane Hospital.				Danvers Insane Hospital.			
	Recovered.		Died.		Recovered.		Died.		Recovered.		Died.		Recovered.		Died.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Congenital,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Under 1 month,	29	9	7	5	19	13	11	7	20	5	2	2	22	8	6	2
From 1 to 3 months,	10	7	9	2	3	4	8	2	2	9	4	3	5	2	12	5
3 to 6 months,	4	3	4	3	8	5	3	-	1	4	1	1	-	3	3	4
6 to 12 months,	5	1	2	2	-	6	9	4	4	4	3	3	3	4	3	6
1 to 2 years,	2	-	9	2	-	2	9	7	-	1	4	3	-	-	8	5
2 to 5 years,	4	1	9	7	2	1	13	11	2	-	8	5	-	-	14	14
5 to 10 years,	-	1	3	4	-	-	3	4	-	-	2	3	-	-	5	6
Over 10 years,	1	2	1	4	-	-	2	3	-	-	2	6	-	1	4	8
Unknown,	21	7	16	6	17	4	15	22	3	1	-	-	-	4	2	3
Total of cases,	76	31	60	35	49	35	75	61	32	24	26	26	30	22	58	53
Total of persons,	76	31	60	35	49	35	75	61	32	24	26	26	30	22	58	53
Average period of known cases (in months).	6.93	6.31	20.16	45.55	3.00	3.73	32.40	50.23	4.56	4.0	41.2	70.8	1.50	14.30	46.75	60.7

TABLE XVII. — *Duration before Admission in Cases recovered or died* — Concluded.

PERIOD.	Westborough Insane Hospital.				McLean Hospital, Waverley.				Boston Insane Hospital.				Aggregates.			
	Recovered.		Died.		Recovered.		Died.		Recovered.		Died.		Recovered.		Died.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Congenital,	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2
Under 1 month,	6	13	-	7	-	4	-	1	3	16	2	5	99	68	28	29
From 1 to 3 months,	6	11	4	5	2	12	1	-	-	9	4	3	28	54	42	20
3 to 6 months,	4	2	4	2	1	2	4	1	1	1	3	3	19	20	22	14
6 to 12 months,	-	1	1	-	4	1	1	-	-	1	2	1	16	18	21	16
1 to 2 years,	2	1	8	3	1	-	2	1	-	1	9	2	5	5	49	23
2 to 5 years,	1	3	3	6	-	-	5	-	-	1	8	10	9	6	60	53
5 to 10 years,	-	3	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	4	-	4	19	25
Over 10 years,	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	4	11	23
Unknown,	6	6	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	4	47	22	46	40
Total of cases,	25	41	28	33	8	19	13	3	4	29	41	34	224	201	301	245
Total of persons,	25	41	28	33	8	19	13	3	4	29	41	34	224	201	301	245
Average period of known cases (in months).	5.26	17.26	42.50	25.75	6.75	1.76	20.49	9.16	1.09	2.23	27.13	30.20	4.59	7.36	33.9	47.85

TABLE XVIII. — *Cases of Previous Years at Five State Hospitals, recovered or died in 1897–98, or undischarged.*

Remaining of those admitted in the Official Year ending Sept. 30.	Worcester Insane Hospital.				Taunton Insane Hospital.				Northampton Insane Hospital.				Danvers Insane Hospital.				Westborough Insane Hospital.				Total.					Official Year.
	Whole No.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining.	Whole No.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining.	Whole No.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining.	Whole No.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining.	Whole No.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining.	Whole No.	Recovered.	Died.	Otherwise discharged.	Remaining.	
1863 and previous, .	3	-	-	3	5	-	-	5	10	-	1	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	1	-	17	1863
1864, ...	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	1864
1865, ...	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	4	1865
1866, ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	1	-	2	1866
1867, ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1867
1868, ...	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	1868
1869, ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	1	1869
1870, ...	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	3	1870
1871, ...	4	-	-	4	1	-	-	1	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	8	1871
1872, ...	1	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	1	-	4	1872
1873, ...	2	-	-	2	5	-	-	5	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	10	1873
1874, ...	3	-	-	3	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	5	1874
1875, ...	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	4	8	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	12	1875
1876, ...	1	-	-	1	3	-	-	3	4	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	8	1876
1877, ...	10	-	1	9	9	-	-	9	8	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27	-	1	-	26	1877
1878, ...	9	-	-	8	4	-	-	4	3	-	-	3	5	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	21	-	-	1	20	1878

CASES OF PREVIOUS YEARS, ETC.

1879, . . .	5	-	1	4	9	-	-	8	3	-	-	3	16	-	1	15	-	-	-	-	33	-	2	1	30	1879
1880, . . .	4	-	-	4	4	-	-	4	5	-	1	4	13	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	26	-	1	-	25	1880
1881, . . .	10	-	-	10	9	-	-	9	6	-	1	5	12	-	1	11	-	-	-	-	37	-	2	-	35	1881
1882, . . .	7	-	-	7	5	-	-	5	10	-	-	10	9	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	31	-	-	-	31	1882
1883, . . .	10	-	-	10	13	-	-	13	9	-	-	9	6	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	38	-	-	1	37	1883
1884, . . .	15	-	-	13	7	-	-	7	9	-	1	8	12	-	-	11	-	-	-	-	43	-	1	3	39	1884
1885, . . .	10	-	-	10	8	-	-	8	14	-	1	13	23	-	1	18	-	-	-	-	55	-	2	4	49	1885
1886, . . .	14	-	1	12	15	-	2	13	16	-	-	15	17	-	1	14	-	-	-	-	62	-	4	4	54	1886
1887, . . .	12	-	-	10	19	-	1	18	13	-	-	13	15	-	-	15	50	-	-	48	109	-	1	4	104	1887
1888, . . .	11	-	-	11	15	-	-	14	13	-	-	13	29	-	1	28	16	-	-	15	84	-	1	2	81	1888
1889, . . .	18	-	1	16	6	-	1	4	16	-	1	14	23	-	1	22	15	-	-	15	78	-	4	3	71	1889
1890, . . .	18	-	-	13	25	-	1	24	22	-	-	21	25	-	1	24	19	-	-	19	109	-	1	7	101	1890
1891, . . .	40	1	1	35	26	-	2	23	19	-	2	16	33	-	1	32	17	-	-	17	135	1	6	5	123	1891
1892, . . .	45	-	3	38	43	-	3	36	19	-	-	17	34	-	2	30	22	-	2	19	163	-	10	13	140	1892
1893, . . .	35	-	-	31	39	-	4	30	28	-	1	27	46	-	4	39	46	-	4	40	194	-	13	14	167	1893
1894, . . .	59	1	1	53	73	-	3	60	28	-	3	23	48	-	2	44	59	-	6	50	267	1	15	21	230	1894
1895, . . .	74	-	5	61	76	1	4	65	50	1	6	36	67	-	6	54	56	1	3	41	323	3	24	39	257	1895
1896, . . .	133	1	16	90	111	6	10	69	73	1	2	57	149	1	12	120	74	1	3	63	540	10	43	88	399	1896
1897, . . .	311	42	34	159	219	15	18	128	114	15	10	67	221	18	31	124	177	19	10	104	1,042	109	103	248	582	1897
1898, . . .	488	76	37	253	362	30	32	232	213	23	17	142	451	38	43	257	269	34	16	153	1,783	201	145	400	1,037	1898
1899, . . .	548	77	35	316	405	56	33	248	220	29	12	153	444	36	34	281	347	44	21	201	1,964	242	135	388	1,199	1899
Total cases, .	1,903	-	-	-	1,525	-	-	-	955	-	-	-	1,698	-	-	-	1,167	-	-	-	7,248	-	-	-	-	-
Total persons, .	1,878	-	-	-	1,509	-	-	-	940	-	-	-	1,677	-	-	-	1,138	-	-	-	7,143	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE XIX. — *Average Duration (in Months) of Cases recovered or died at Seven Hospitals in Twenty Years.*

	Average in 1898-99.			Average of Previous Nineteen Years.			Twenty Years' Averages.		
	Males.	Females.	Totals.	Males.	Females.	Totals.	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Whole number of recoveries,	224	203	427	3,550	3,307	6,857	3,774	3,510	7,284
of deaths,	301	245	546	3,760	2,972	6,732	4,061	3,217	7,278
Duration before admission, — cases recovered,	4.59	7.36	6.13	6.56	9.91	8.18	6.46	9.78	8.07
cases died,	33.90	47.85	40.51	42.11	36.55	39.65	41.70	37.11	39.69
Hospital residence, — cases recovered,	5.17	6.50	5.99	6.52	10.03	8.77	6.45	9.85	8.63
cases died,	32.48	38.38	35.87	29.92	30.83	30.32	30.05	31.20	30.59
Whole duration, — cases recovered,	11.81	15.63	13.92	11.71	18.12	14.80	11.71	17.99	14.75
cases died,	60.64	88.66	76.07	65.59	72.67	68.72	65.34	73.46	69.08

TABLE XX. — *Results of Different Admissions at Seven Hospitals.*

	Official Year, 1898-99.			Twenty Years, 1880-99.		
	Males.	Females.	Totals.	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Whole number discharged,	987	1,059	2,046	17,259	16,350	33,609
On first admission,	826	866	1,692	14,242	13,195	27,437
viz.: recovered,	190	165	355	3,126	2,771	5,897
died,	278	203	481	3,468	2,823	6,291
otherwise,	358	498	856	7,648	7,601	15,249
On second admission,	102	131	233	2,101	2,075	4,176
viz.: recovered,	22	25	47	396	441	837
died,	19	28	47	403	337	740
otherwise,	61	78	139	1,302	1,297	2,599
On third admission,	37	34	71	484	582	1,066
viz.: recovered,	7	6	13	100	131	231
died,	3	7	10	69	69	138
otherwise,	27	21	48	315	382	697
On fourth or subsequent admission,	22	28	50	429	490	919
viz.: recovered,	5	7	12	139	164	303
died,	1	7	8	42	53	95
otherwise,	16	14	30	248	273	521
Whole number of persons discharged,	975	1,055	2,030	-	-	-

PARENTAGE AND CIVIL CONDITION.

TABLE XXI. — *Parentage of 33,667 Cases admitted within the Last Twenty Years at Seven Hospitals of Massachusetts.*

PLACES OF PARENT NATIVITY.	MALES (17,172).		FEMALES (16,495).		TOTALS (33,667).	
	Fathers.	Mothers.	Fathers	Mothers.	Fathers.	Mothers.
Massachusetts, ...	3,802	3,867	3,101	3,118	6,903	6,985
Other States, ...	2,652	2,627	2,185	2,298	4,837	4,925
Total American, . .	6,454	6,494	5,286	5,416	11,740	11,910
Total foreign, . .	9,034	8,981	9,378	9,246	18,412	18,227
Canada, ...	1,067	1,105	1,089	1,166	2,156	2,271
Great Britain, ...	1,171	1,100	1,087	961	2,258	2,061
Ireland, ...	5,396	5,430	6,047	6,053	11,443	11,483
Other countries, . . .	1,400	1,346	1,155	1,066	2,555	2,412
Unknown, ...	1,684	1,697	1,831	1,833	3,515	3,530
Totals, ...	17,172	17,172	16,495	16,495	33,667	33,667

TABLE XXII. — *Civil Condition of 35,360 Cases admitted at Seven Hospitals within Twenty Years past.*

CIVIL CONDITION.	YEAR OF 1898-99.			TOTAL FOR TWENTY YEARS.		
	Males.	Females.	Totals.	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Unmarried, ...	575	444	1,019	8,542	6,814	15,356
Married, ...	536	508	1,044	7,942	7,367	15,309
Widowed, ...	93	223	316	1,352	2,994	4,346
Divorced, ...	7	4	11	41	65	106
Unknown, ...	19	10	29	160	83	243
Totals, ...	1,230	1,189	2,419	18,037	17,323	35,360

OCCUPATIONS OF PERSONS, ADMISSIONS, ETC.

TABLE XXIII. — *Occupations of Persons admitted at Seven Hospitals, 1880–99.*

OCCUPATIONS.	Official Year, 1898-99.			Twenty Years, 1880-99.		
	Males.	Females.	Totals.	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Educated or professional,	143	67	210	1,239	573	1,812
Domestic,	19	209	228	201	3,093	3,294
Farmers,	63	13	76	1,570	362	1,932
Housekeepers,	-	417	417	-	5,468	5,468
Laborers,	242	30	272	3,627	697	4,324
Mechanical,	356	52	408	5,626	1,785	7,411
Operatives,	82	76	158	1,047	1,140	2,187
Traders,	97	13	110	2,014	541	2,555
Miscellaneous,	99	58	157	850	372	1,222
No occupation, or unknown,	123	252	375	1,846	3,266	5,112
Totals,	1,224	1,187	2,411	18,020	17,297	35,317

TABLE XXIV. — *Admissions, Readmissions and Recoveries.*

YEARS ENDING SEPT. 30.		Whole Number of Admissions.	First Admissions to Hospital reporting.	Readmissions to Hospital reporting.	First Admission to Any Insane Hospital.	True Readmissions.	Reported Relapses after Recoveries.	Reported Recoveries.
1881-98.	Worcester,	7,670	6,448	1,222	5,500	3,070	473	1,640
	Taunton,	5,789	4,765	1,024	4,314	1,475	396	1,082
	Northampton,	2,952	2,300	652	2,118	834	239	585
	Danvers,	7,691	6,457	1,234	5,611	2,080	377	1,324
	Westborough,	3,998	2,689	1,309	2,586	1,412	168	924
	Totals for eighteen years,	28,100	22,659	5,441	20,129	8,871	1,653	5,555
1898-99.	Worcester,	548	459	89	413	135	45	107
	Taunton,	405	340	65	312	93	17	84
	Northampton,	220	176	44	171	49	9	56
	Danvers,	444	355	89	311	133	30	54
	Westborough,	347	231	116	231	116	22	66
	Totals, 1898-99,	1,964	1,561	403	1,438	526	123	367
	Totals for nineteen years,	30,064	24,220	5,844	21,567	9,397	1,776	5,922